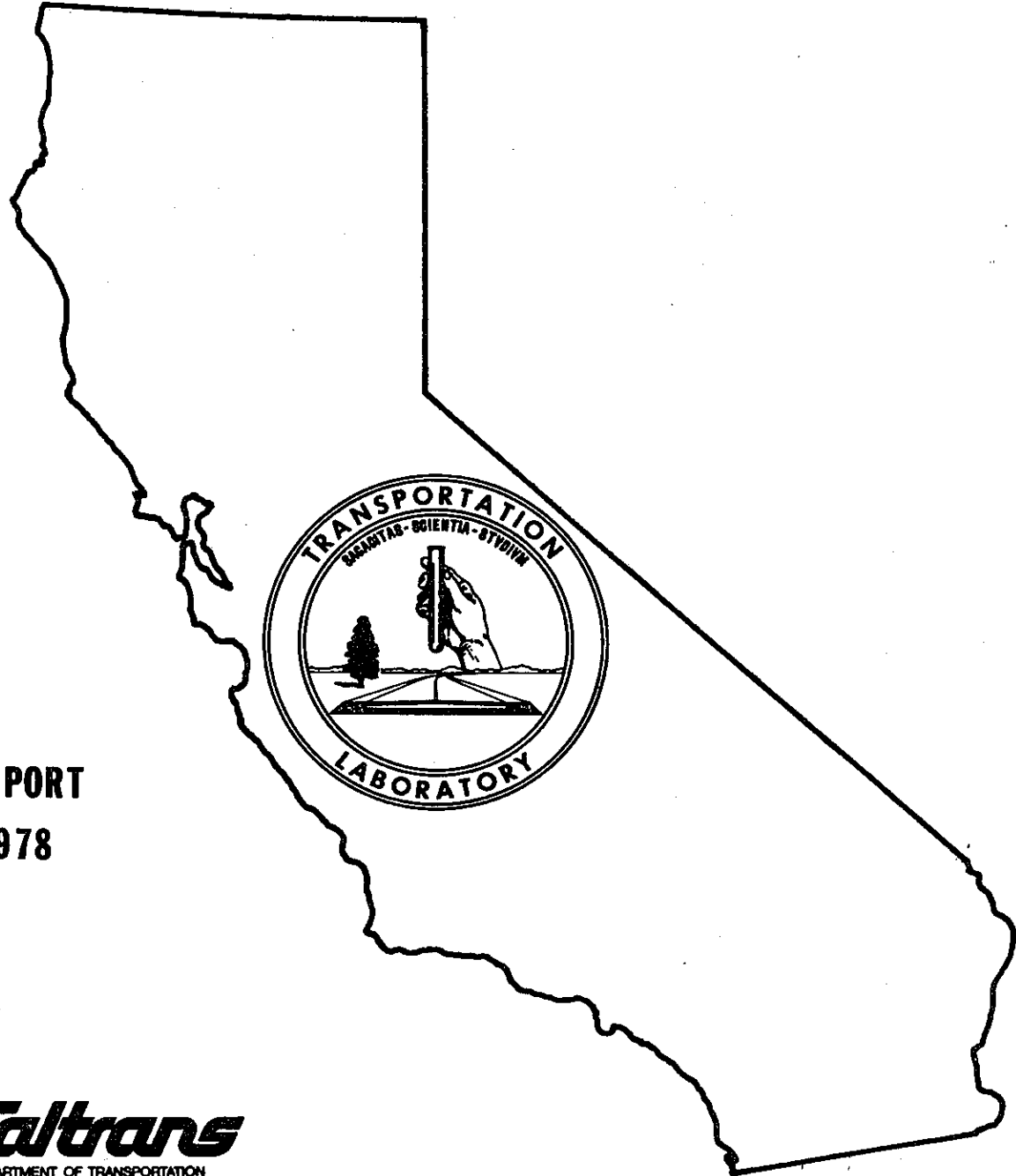


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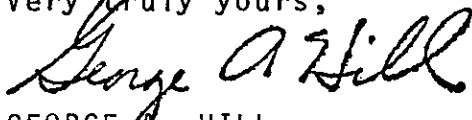
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## INTRODUCTION

The earthwork factor on a highway grading project is the ratio of embankment to excavation volume. A factor of 1.0 indicates no volumetric change from excavation to emplacement. Less than 1.0 indicates the material will be compacted to a denser state in the embankment than it was in the natural state before excavation. However, both excavation and embankment quantities require adjustment prior to calculation of the earthwork factor. Any imported embankment would not be considered, nor would any excavated material which is used as base, subbase, or is wasted, or exported. Criteria that affect the earthwork factor are:

1. Size of particles or pieces.
2. Degree of compaction.
3. Mixture of particle sizes in embankment.
4. Loss of material over the side of embankments.
5. Cut or fill slopes that deviate from plans.

In an earlier study by this Laboratory(1,2,3,4), the correlation of earthwork factors to the seismic velocities of a limited number of rock types at four locations in California were investigated. As a part of that study, district personnel of all state highway districts were interviewed to learn their approach to determining earthwork factors, and to assess the accuracy of such determinations. It was found that the design earthwork factor was determined by means of:

1. Materials investigation of the proppsed alignment.
2. Records of past projects in assumed similar materials.
3. Experience in the area.



Such determinations resulted in design earthwork factors that varied from the actual factor by as much as 17%, with many of them in the range of 10%.

Information from the previous study has been used to determine earthwork factors on a number of projects. Because the data does not cover all rock types found in the state, additional information was needed to make possible a fuller utilization of the results of the previous investigation.

To achieve this goal, the objectives of this study were:

1. To correlate seismic velocities with earthwork factors in a variety of major rock types found throughout California.
2. To verify that the information obtained in the previous study is valid for similar rock at other locations.

## CONCLUSIONS

Two new curves that show the relationship between seismic velocities and earthwork factors have been developed for volcanic rocks. One curve is to be used for hard flow rocks and the other for tuff and other pyroclastics. These curves, shown in Figure 4, can be used to compute earthwork factors when volcanic rocks are present. The predicted value should be within  $\pm 5$  percent of the actual factor.

A slight modification of the previously developed curve for sedimentary rocks was made during this study. This curve, for use in computing earthwork factors for sedimentary rocks, is shown in Figure 7.

Earthwork factors developed on one construction project did not fit the sedimentary rock curve. This material apparently is overconsolidated and cannot be remolded to the in-place density easily. Therefore, an earthwork factor-seismic velocity curve (Figure 9) was developed for this particular material. This curve is tentative and should be evaluated on projects where the sediments are overconsolidated.

Construction projects in granitic rock that were considered in this study verified the curve that had been developed in our previous research. Use of the earthwork factor-seismic velocity curve for granitic rock (Figure 10) provides earthwork factors that are within  $\pm 5$  percent of the actual factor.

## RECOMMENDATIONS

Estimates of earthwork factors based on curves developed by this study should be applied to projects where seismic studies are conducted. The results of this application will indicate where further refinement is necessary.

More information should be developed for overconsolidated materials.

## IMPLEMENTATION

The earthwork factor is used during the design stage of a facility to determine a distribution of earthwork quantities. An accurate earthwork factor will reduce unexpected increases in construction costs due to excesses or shortages of material.

The graphs developed by this study will be distributed to the various California Transportation Districts for their use in relating seismic velocities to earthwork factors.

These graphs will also be used by the Transportation Laboratory to calculate earthwork factors for the Districts at their request.

## TEST PROCEDURES

The relatively small number of construction projects underway during the period of this study limited the scope of this investigation to a total of eight projects.

Seismic refraction velocities of the materials on each project were obtained by either running seismic refraction lines during or after construction, or by using seismic data from previous studies; and by using data obtained by consultants to the contractors. Construction activity was monitored on projects in progress during the course of the study. Resident engineers and inspectors were interviewed where possible, and most projects were photographed.

Seismic data were plotted on cross sections of the excavated areas. The total volume of excavation and the volumes of each layer of differing seismic velocity were calculated from the cross section data using the average end area method. Embankment volumes were determined, usually, by the project engineer's staff. Quantities of imported or wasted material were measured and considered in the determination of these volumes. A table was constructed for each project showing the material in each seismic velocity category, percentage of the total volume represented by that velocity, and the earthwork factor for each velocity from one of the curves. The product of the percentage volume times the factor for that velocity represents the fraction of the total earthwork factor contributed by that velocity range. The sum of these fractional parts is the estimated earthwork factor for that project using that curve.



The eight projects studied were located throughout the State and represent three different rock types. Four projects were in volcanic, three in sedimentary, and one in granitic rock. The four projects in volcanic rock represent varied kinds of volcanic material with differences in physical properties. The three sedimentary rock projects represent three different rock types at widely scattered locations.

The single granitic site represents a particular type of material not investigated during the previous study.

The projects are discussed in detail in the following section. Their locations are shown in Figure 1.

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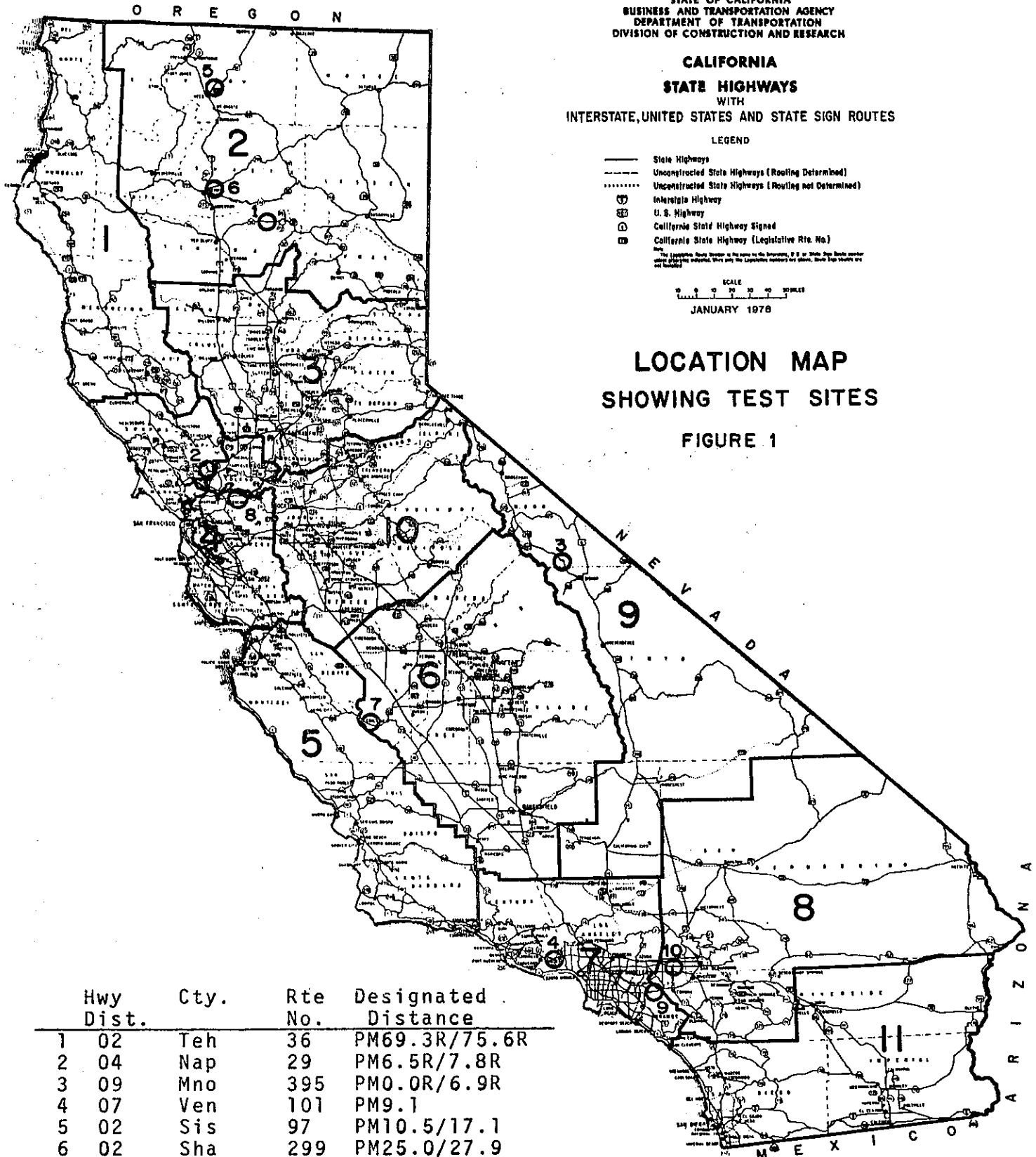
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LOCATION MAP  
SHOWING TEST SITES

FIGURE 1



| Hwy Dist. | Cty. | Rte No. | Designated Distance |
|-----------|------|---------|---------------------|
| 1 02      | Teh  | 36      | PM69.3R/75.6R       |
| 2 04      | Nap  | 29      | PM6.5R/7.8R         |
| 3 09      | Mno  | 395     | PM0.0R/6.9R         |
| 4 07      | Ven  | 101     | PM9.1               |
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| 6 02      | Sha  | 299     | PM25.0/27.9         |
| 7 06      | Fre  | 198     | PM13.7/16.2         |
| 8 04      | CC   | 4       | PM15.1R/16.9R       |
| 9 07      | Ora  | 91      | PM13.4R/18.9R       |
| 10 08     | Riv  | 60      | PM2.6/7.2           |

## TEST SITES

### Volcanic Rock

02-Teh-36-P.M. 69.3R/75.6R

As this project was completed before this study began, information on the excavation was obtained from the resident engineer, district materials engineer, and the contractor's superintendent.

The volcanic material ranged from clayey colluvium to relatively unweathered basalt and andesite; and from ashy pumaceous material to cemented agglomerate.

The seismic data were obtained after construction and were interpolated to cover the areas that had been previously excavated. It proved to be in good agreement with seismic data obtained from the contractor.

The earthwork factor predicted for this material by district personnel was 1.05. The amount of embankment produced by the planned excavation was about 18% less than predicted. The deficit was made up by flattening the slopes of several through cuts and using the material as embankment. The amount of material excavated and used for embankment construction was 941,487 yd<sup>3</sup> (715,530 m<sup>3</sup>) of embankment and subbase. Although excavation quantities were well documented for this project, there is some doubt as to the accuracy of the embankment quantities. The actual earthwork factor for the project was between 0.9 and 0.92.

Table 1 shows the compilation of material in each velocity range and the development of an earthwork factor for this

project using the curve developed for meta-igneous rock by the previous study(2). Although this curve was not developed with the intent that it would be used for volcanic rock, it was arbitrarily chosen for this purpose since a volcanic rock curve was not available. It was assumed volcanic rock was more like meta-igneous than any of the other types for which a curve had been developed.

The use of this curve did not provide reasonable factors. On this particular project, it indicated a factor of 1.1 as compared to the true 0.90 to 0.92 factor. Consequently, a new curve was developed based on the shape of the meta-igneous curve and factors determined from the data on this project. A total of eight trial curves were drawn, each of which was used to determine an earthwork factor from a table such as illustrated by Table 1.

The values from the trial curves were obtained by a curve fitting computer program. The curves were put into the computer in incremental form. The program determined the shape of each increment and printed out the exact factor at 50 fps (15 mps) intervals along the curve between the upper and lower limits established.

A factor of .94 was obtained from the eighth trial curve which was considered satisfactory pending a comparison with data from other projects.

04-Nap-29-P.M. 6.5R/7.8R

This project started at about the same time as the research study. It was not originally intended that it be included in this study because of the variety of materials involved. It was therefore not observed during construction.

TABLE 1

VOLCANIC MATERIALS FROM TEHAMA COUNTY AND THE EARTHWORK  
FACTORS DEVELOPED USING THE META-IGNEOUS CURVE

| <u>Velocity</u><br><u>(fps)</u> | <u>Volume</u><br><u>(yd<sup>3</sup>)</u> | <u>% of</u><br><u>Total</u> | <u>Factor</u><br><u>From Curve</u> | <u>Factor</u><br><u>Times % Volume</u> |
|---------------------------------|--|-----------------------------|------------------------------------|--|
| 1200                            | 26,420                                   | .028052                     | .865                               | .024265                                |
| 1250                            | 22,887                                   | .024301                     | .875                               | .021263                                |
| 1350                            | 25,167                                   | .026721                     | .9                                 | .024049                                |
| 1500                            | 94,770                                   | .100626                     | .92                                | .092576                                |
| 1750                            | 30,352                                   | .032227                     | .97                                | .031260                                |
| 2000                            | 30,092                                   | .031951                     | 1.00                               | .031951                                |
| 2100                            | 21,178                                   | .022487                     | 1.013                              | .022779                                |
| 2150                            | 65,853                                   | .069922                     | 1.02                               | .071320                                |
| 2200                            | 2,730                                    | .002899                     | 1.026                              | .002974                                |
| 2300                            | 19,993                                   | .021228                     | 1.039                              | .022056                                |
| 2500                            | 33,909                                   | .036004                     | 1.061                              | .038200                                |
| 2550                            | 10,599                                   | .011254                     | 1.066                              | .011997                                |
| 2600                            | 9,192                                    | .009760                     | 1.07                               | .010443                                |
| 3000                            | 2,243                                    | .002382                     | 1.108                              | .002639                                |
| 3250                            | 10,463                                   | .011109                     | 1.128                              | .012531                                |
| 3450                            | 69,633                                   | .073936                     | 1.144                              | .084583                                |
| 3500                            | 166,458                                  | .176743                     | 1.147                              | .202724                                |
| 3850                            | 24,376                                   | .025882                     | 1.17                               | .030282                                |
| 4000                            | 4,739                                    | .005032                     | 1.18                               | .005938                                |
| 4250                            | 5,145                                    | .005463                     | 1.195                              | .006528                                |
| 4650                            | 22,619                                   | .024017                     | 1.215                              | .029181                                |
| 4700                            | 20,014                                   | .021251                     | 1.217                              | .025862                                |
| 4800                            | 161,772                                  | .171768                     | 1.222                              | .209900                                |
| 5000                            | 23,415                                   | .024862                     | 1.23                               | .030580                                |
| 5400                            | 11,266                                   | .011962                     | 1.25                               | .014953                                |
| 5800                            | 2,585                                    | .002745                     | 1.266                              | .003475                                |
| 6150                            | 17,647                                   | .018737                     | 1.30                               | .024358                                |
| 7400                            | 5,992                                    | .006362                     | 1.33                               | .008462                                |
| Total                           | 941,808*                                 | .999673                     |                                    | 1.097126                               |
|                                 |  |                             |                                    | 1.10                                   |

\*Includes local borrow

Note: feet/sec. (fps) x .305 = Meters/Sec (mps)

Cubic yards (yd<sup>3</sup>) x .76 = Cubic Meters (m<sup>3</sup>)



A prediction of the earthwork factor to be expected on this project had been made by the Transportation Laboratory, based on data developed during project design. Seismic and geologic data gathered at that time were used with the meta-igneous curve developed during the previous earthwork factor study(2). The earthwork factor thus developed and used was 1.24.

The material on the project consisted of interbedded volcanic rocks, including basalt, andesite, volcanic breccia and agglomerate, tuff, and relatively loose cinders. The material occurs in layers of from two to several tens of feet in thickness. The discrepancy between the predicted and actual earthwork factor may be due in part to a greater amount of the tuff, cinders, and breccia than had been anticipated. It also appears the meta-igneous curve from the original study does not predict an earthwork factor applicable to the volcanic rocks on this project.

The actual earthwork factor for this project was 1.07 as compared to the 1.09 from curve No. 8 of the set developed by the trial and error fitting procedure from the Tehama project. It was not possible to develop factors for individual materials since their velocities could not be separated from the whole. Table 2 shows the development of this factor, using curve No. 8 and the data from this project.

09-Mno-395-P.M. 0.0R/6.9R

This project was completed before our study began. Information on the construction activity was obtained from the resident engineer, his assistant, and an inspector. Seismic

studies made by two consultants to the contractor were available for examination. Additional seismic work was done by the Transportation Laboratory after the project was complete. The combined data provided by these studies were interpolated to cover excavated areas.

The predominant materials were a welded tuff which was remarkably uniform throughout the project, a fine wind deposited sand, and granitic material which varied from in-place weathered material to glacial till. Because of its variability, the granitic section was eliminated from the study.

An earthwork factor had been assigned to each segment by the District. For the competent welded tuff between Stations 30 and 143 a factor of 1.04 was assigned as compared to an actual factor of 1.07. As a result, the profile grade was raised to reduce the excess material.

The factor used by design for the welded tuff and sand between Stations 231 and 277 was 1.07 as compared to the actual factor which was 0.94. Consequently the roadway cut was widened to provide the required additional material.

The seismic data were plotted on cross sections and volumes for each velocity were calculated. The earthwork factor developed using the original meta-igneous curve was 1.15 for the interval between Stations 30 and 143; and 1.14 for the interval between Stations 231 and 277, indicating that the original meta-igneous curve was not applicable. Because it was not possible to separate the individual velocities for direct correlation with an earthwork factor, a trial and error procedure was used on this project also. A table

TABLE 2

VOLCANIC MATERIAL FROM NAPA COUNTY AND THE EARTHWORK  
FACTOR DEVELOPED USING CURVE NO. 8

## Line B

| Velocity<br>(fps) | Volume<br>(yd <sup>3</sup> ) | % of<br>Total | Factor<br>From Curve | Factor<br>Times % Volume |
|-------------------|------------------------------|---------------|----------------------|--------------------------|
| 2150              | 201,440                      | .006177       | .89                  | .005498                  |
| 2500              | 24,800                       | .000759       | .925                 | .000702                  |
| 2600              | 1,243,344                    | .038069       | .934                 | .035556                  |
| 3150              | 1,565,036                    | .047918       | .979                 | .046912                  |
| 3850              | 114,168                      | .003496       | 1.024                | .003580                  |
| 3900              | 834,540                      | .025519       | 1.026                | .026183                  |
| 4000              | 4,649,188                    | .142348       | 1.032                | .146903                  |
| 4200              | 1,620,800                    | .049626       | 1.042                | .051058                  |
| 4300              | 87,000                       | .002664       | 1.048                | .002792                  |
| 4700              | 1,682,584                    | .051517       | 1.066                | .054917                  |
| 4950              | 2,322,192                    | .071106       | 1.077                | .076581                  |
| 5450              | 3,549,392                    | .108675       | 1.097                | .119217                  |
| 6150              | 1,641,800                    | .050268       | 1.122                | .056401                  |
| 6950              | 9,490,180                    | .290569       | 1.148                | .333573                  |
| 6800              | 133,712                      | .004094       | 1.144                | .004684                  |
| 7150              | 1,357,400                    | .041561       | 1.154                | .047961                  |
| 7450              | 584,800                      | .017905       | 1.162                | .020806                  |
| 8500              | 285,674                      | .008747       | 1.188                | .010391                  |
| 9200              | 1,272,600                    | .038964       | 1.20                 | .046796                  |
|                   | 32,660,650                   | .999982       |                      | 1.0905                   |
|                   |                              |               |                      | 1.09                     |

## Line FL2

|      |         |         |       |         |
|------|---------|---------|-------|---------|
| 3300 | 63,600  | .371712 | .99   | .367995 |
| 4700 | 107,500 | .628287 | 1.066 | .669754 |
|      | 171,100 | .999999 |       | 1.0377  |
|      |         |         |       | 1.04    |

## Line FF

|          |            |          |       |         |
|----------|------------|----------|-------|---------|
| 3600     | 252,000    | .229571  | 1.009 | .231637 |
| 4950     | 719,100    | .655097  | 1.077 | .70554  |
| 6150     | 126,600    | .115332  | 1.122 | .129403 |
|          | 1,097,700  | 1.000000 |       | 1.07    |
| Line B   | 32,660,650 | .962605  | 1.09  | 1.04924 |
| Line FL2 | 171,100    | .005043  | 1.04  | .005245 |
| Line FF  | 1,097,700  | .032252  | 1.07  | .03451  |
|          |            |          |       | 1.09    |

Note: Feet/sec. (fps) x .305 = Meters/sec (mps)  
Cubic yards (yd<sup>3</sup>) x .76 = Cubic Meters (m<sup>3</sup>)

TABLE 3

MATERIAL FROM BETWEEN STATIONS 231 AND 277, MONO COUNTY  
PROJECT, AND THE EARTHWORK FACTOR DEVELOPED USING  
CURVE NO. 8

| <u>Velocity<br/>(fps)</u> | <u>Volume<br/>(yd<sup>3</sup>)</u> | <u>% of<br/>Total</u> | <u>Factor<br/>From Curve</u> | <u>Factor<br/>Times % Volume</u> |
|---------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 1200                      | 15,577                             | .199503               | .746                         | .148829                          |
| 1800                      | 1,736                              | .022234               | .847                         | .018832                          |
| 2650                      | 812                                | .010340               | .939                         | .009709                          |
| 2950                      | 7,546                              | .096646               | .964                         | .093167                          |
| 4400                      | 35,554                             | .455359               | 1.052                        | .479038                          |
| 4950                      | 9,700                              | .124233               | 1.077                        | .133799                          |
| 5850                      | <u>7,154</u>                       | <u>.091625</u>        | 1.111                        | <u>.101795</u>                   |
|                           | 78,079                             | .999940               |                              | .985169                          |
|                           |                                    |                       |                              | .99                              |

TABLE 4

MATERIAL FROM BETWEEN STATIONS 30 AND 143, MONO COUNTY  
PROJECT, AND THE EARTHWORK FACTOR DEVELOPED USING  
CURVE NO. 12

| <u>Velocity<br/>(fps)</u> | <u>Volume<br/>(yd<sup>3</sup>)</u> | <u>% of<br/>Total</u> | <u>Factor<br/>From Curve</u> | <u>Factor<br/>Times % Volume</u> |
|---------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 1200                      | 787                                | .003653               | .807                         | .002948                          |
| 1800                      | 13,432                             | .062339               | .913                         | .056916                          |
| 2800                      | 5,533                              | .025679               | 1.018                        | .026141                          |
| 2950                      | 30,810                             | .143006               | 1.03                         | .147296                          |
| 3450                      | 1,713                              | .007502               | 1.065                        | .00799                           |
| 3500                      | 103,608                            | .480853               | 1.069                        | .514032                          |
| 3800                      | 6,551                              | .030404               | 1.087                        | .033049                          |
| 4400                      | 30,672                             | .142351               | 1.119                        | .159291                          |
| 4600                      | 1,528                              | .007092               | 1.129                        | .008007                          |
| 5600                      | <u>20,833</u>                      | <u>.096688</u>        | 1.168                        | <u>.112932</u>                   |
|                           | 215,467                            | .999567               |                              | 1.0686                           |
|                           |                                    |                       |                              | 1.07                             |

Note: feet/sec. (fps) x .305 = Meters/sec (mps)  
Cubic yards (yd<sup>3</sup>) x .76 = Cubic Meters (m<sup>3</sup>)

was constructed showing the values from each of the trial curves developed as a part of this study. For the interval between Stations 231 and 277 (Table 3), a factor of .99 was obtained using curve No. 8.

None of the eight curves resulted in a good fit for the material from the interval between Stations 30 and 143. Consequently, additional trial curves were drawn and the process continued until curve No. 12 projected the actual construction factor of 1.07 (see Table 4).

07-Ven-101-P.M. 9.1

This project was partially completed when the study began. The seismic data had been obtained as part of the design study.

The material on this project consisted of hard dense basalt, hard broken basalt, relatively fresh to well weathered basaltic mudflow, and fresh to weathered tuff.

The earthwork factor predicted by the district design department was 1.04. The actual factor as reported by the resident engineer was 1.08. Because it was difficult to obtain volumes to calculate the earthwork factor, contour maps of the cut and fill areas were developed where needed to determine volumes.

The previously described trial and error procedure of fitting the volumes and velocities of the excavated material to an earthwork factor curve was also tried on this project. The factor from the original meta-igneous curve was 1.18(2). A fit was then tried using the trial curves developed for the other projects in volcanic rock covered in this report. Several of these curves gave factors in reasonably good



agreement with the reported actual value. Since the material on this project was primarily a relatively hard flow rock, it was assumed that the curve for the welded tuff on the Mono County project could be used. That curve gives an earthwork factor of 1.11, which is 2.8% higher than actually obtained. Curve No. 10 gives the exact factor, but is 4.7% low for the welded tuff. All of the trial curves are shown in Figures 2 and 3. Table 5 presents supporting data for the earthwork factor development for this project using curve No. 12.

02-Sis-97-P.M. 10.5/17.1

This project was started after the study began and was observed before and during construction. Seismic velocities were obtained for most cut areas prior to the start of construction.

The material was a hard dense basalt, hard porous basalt, and a porous scoriaceous material.

Because useable records were not available from this project, it was dropped from the study.

#### Development of Curves for Volcanic Rock

Most of the projects in volcanic rock were completed before the study began. While it was possible to determine excavation and embankment quantities, and the seismic velocities of in situ materials, it was not possible to determine an earthwork factor for a given velocity of any of these materials. The original meta-igneous curve(2) did not give a factor reasonably close to the actual one, being consistently high for all volcanic material. An

# TRIAL CURVES 1 THROUGH 8 FOR VOLCANIC ROCKS

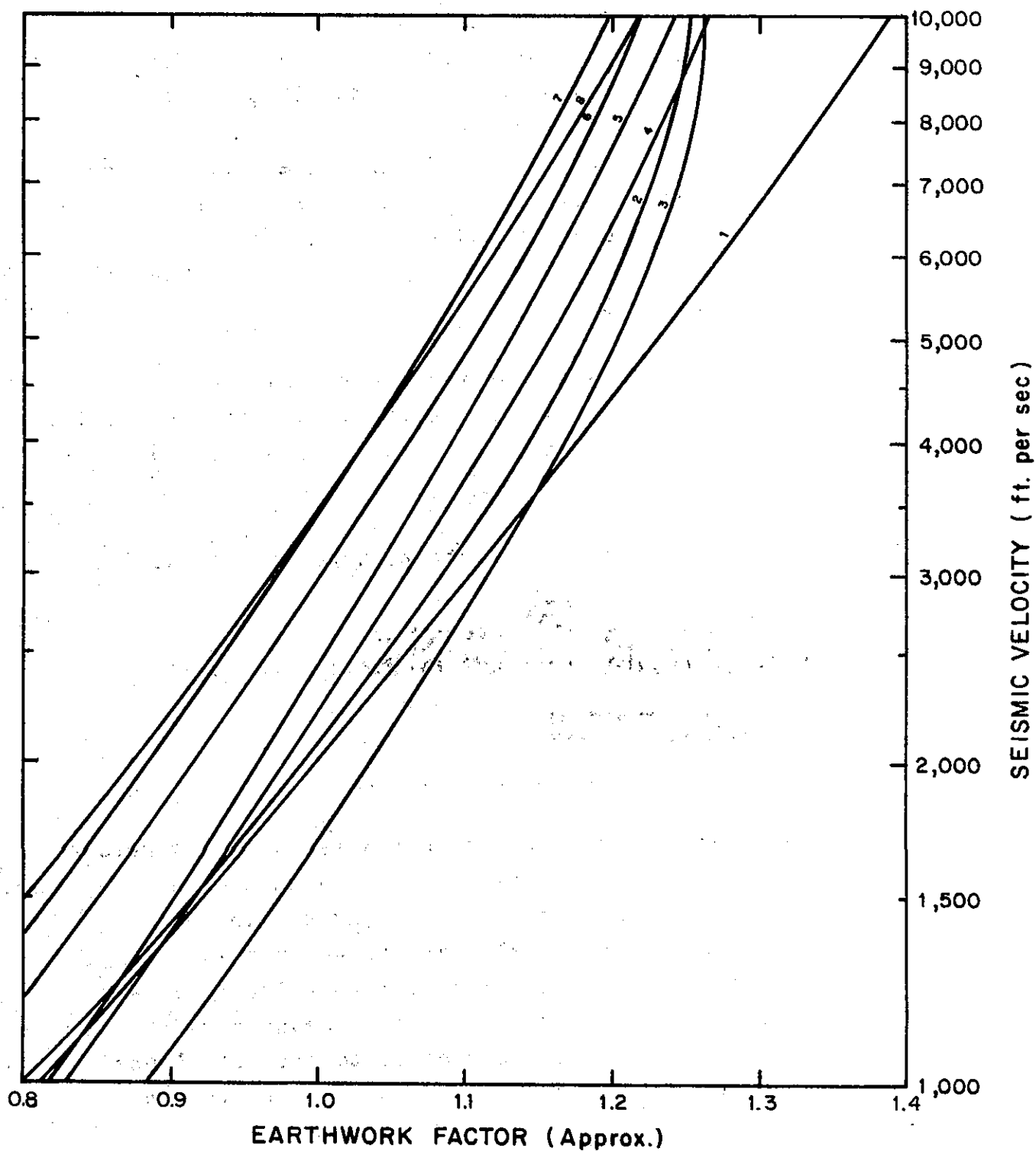


FIGURE 2

TRIAL CURVES 9 THROUGH 12  
FOR VOLCANIC ROCKS

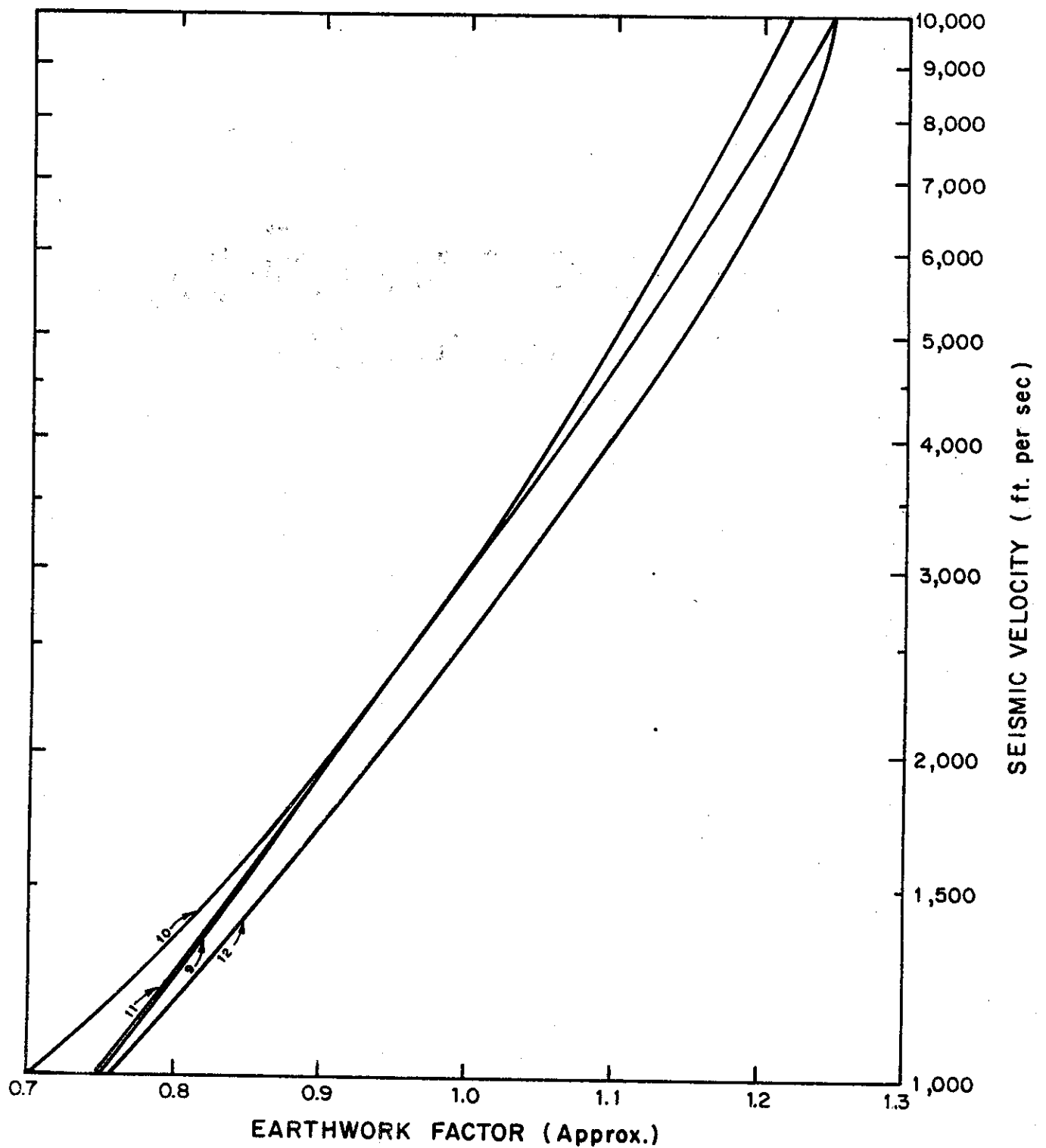


FIGURE 3

TABLE 5

VOLCANIC MATERIAL FROM THE VENTURA COUNTY PROJECT AND  
EARTHWORK FACTOR DEVELOPED USING CURVE NO. 12

| <u>Velocity</u><br>(fps) | <u>Volume</u><br>(yd <sup>3</sup> ) | <u>% of</u><br><u>Total</u> | <u>Factor</u><br><u>From Curve</u> | <u>Factor</u><br><u>Times % Volume</u> |
|--------------------------|-------------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------------|--|
| 1150                     | 3,842                               | .012303                     | .796                               | .009793                                |
| 1200                     | 7,245                               | .023297                     | .807                               | .018801                                |
| 1250                     | 3,434                               | .010997                     | .818                               | .008996                                |
| 1300                     | 8,566                               | .027431                     | .828                               | .022713                                |
| 1350                     | 18,250                              | .058442                     | .838                               | .048974                                |
| 1700                     | 8,574                               | .027457                     | .898                               | .024656                                |
| 1750                     | 10,167                              | .032558                     | .906                               | .029498                                |
| 2350                     | 1,412                               | .004522                     | .977                               | .004418                                |
| 2550                     | 3,681                               | .011788                     | .996                               | .011741                                |
| 3300                     | 10,697                              | .034255                     | 1.055                              | .036139                                |
| 3400                     | 834                                 | .002671                     | 1.062                              | .002837                                |
| 4500                     | 20,380                              | .065263                     | 1.124                              | .073356                                |
| 5400                     | 72,631                              | .232587                     | 1.161                              | .270034                                |
| 5500                     | 22,193                              | .071069                     | 1.164                              | .082724                                |
| 5550                     | 13,904                              | .044525                     | 1.166                              | .051916                                |
| 5600                     | 17,314                              | .055445                     | 1.168                              | .064767                                |
| 5700                     | 24,521                              | .078524                     | 1.171                              | .091952                                |
| 6550                     | 13,055                              | .041806                     | 1.199                              | .050125                                |
| 6650                     | 185                                 | .000592                     | 1.201                              | .000711                                |
| 7000                     | 18,095                              | .057946                     | 1.208                              | .069999                                |
| 7400                     | 7,246                               | .023204                     | 1.216                              | .028216                                |
| 8400                     | 15,275                              | .048915                     | 1.233                              | .060214                                |
| 8700                     | 6,067                               | .019428                     | 1.237                              | .024403                                |
| 10,400                   | 4,677                               | .014977                     | 1.25                               | .018721                                |
| Total                    | 312,245                             | 1.000000                    |                                    | 1.105697                               |
|                          |                                     |                             |                                    | 1.11                                   |

Note: Feet/sec. (fps) x .305 = Meters/sec (mps)

Cubic yards (yd<sup>3</sup>) x .76 = Cubic Meters (m<sup>3</sup>)

attempt was then made to draw a new curve, parallel to the meta-igneous, but to the left or lower earthwork factor side. For such a curve to produce the true factor, the lower seismic velocities would have had to correlate with earthwork factors as unrealistically low as 0.5. Consequently the slope of the curve was steepened and a series of curves drawn to determine a factor for each of the different projects studied.

For purposes of determining the location of points on each of these curves, certain assumptions were made about the properties of the volcanic materials. It was assumed that ashy materials would have high void ratios and would be highly compressible. It was also assumed that most low-velocity clayey materials, whether derived from hard flow rock or from ashy materials, would also be highly compressible. Hard flow rocks were considered to have a factor equal to the meta-igneous rocks.

Trial and error procedures determined that hard flow rock did not have as much swell as meta-igneous rock. Furthermore, the factor from a trial curve was greater than the actual factor when high percentages of hard flow rock were involved. The consensus opinion of resident engineers, materials engineers, and other geologists close to the work was that volcanic rocks should not have a factor greater than 1.2 to 1.3.

The process of drawing trial curves continued until two curves were produced that afforded good agreement between predicted and actual earthwork factors for volcanic materials. One curve (No. 12) fits materials that are predominantly flow rock and welded tuff while the other (No. 8) fits materials that are predominantly pyroclastics with inter-bedded harder rocks. The two curves, shown in Figure 4,

are nearly parallel at velocities below 6000 fps (1830 mps). The curve for hard flow rock becomes much steeper above 6000 fps (1830 mps). There were no velocities higher than 7400 fps (2260 mps) for pyroclastics.

The twelve trial curves drawn using this procedure are shown in Figures 2 and 3. Each curve was put into the computer in incremental form. The program determined the shape of each increment, and printed out a listing of the precise factors for each increment of 50 fps (15 mps) velocity between the limits used. From these lists a table was plotted showing the earthwork factor for each velocity on a project as determined from each of the curves.

While these two curves do not represent an exact fit for all volcanic materials, they are the best fit of the information available, and give results that are within 5% of the actual factors. Further refinement may be needed as additional data are obtained.

### Sedimentary Rock

02-Sha-299-P.M. 25.0/27.9

This project was completed before our study began. Information on it was obtained from the resident engineer and the district materials engineer.

The material was sedimentary, primarily well rounded gravel within a matrix of iron-stained sand and clay.

As the earthwork factor predicted by the District was 0.85, it had been planned to supplement the embankment material with 102,000 cubic yards (77,560 m<sup>3</sup>) of imported borrow. However, the amount of import required was only 27,000 cubic yards (20,520 m<sup>3</sup>) since the actual earthwork factor proved to be 0.95.



RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN SEISMIC VELOCITIES  
AND EARTHWORK FACTORS  
FOR VOLCANIC ROCK

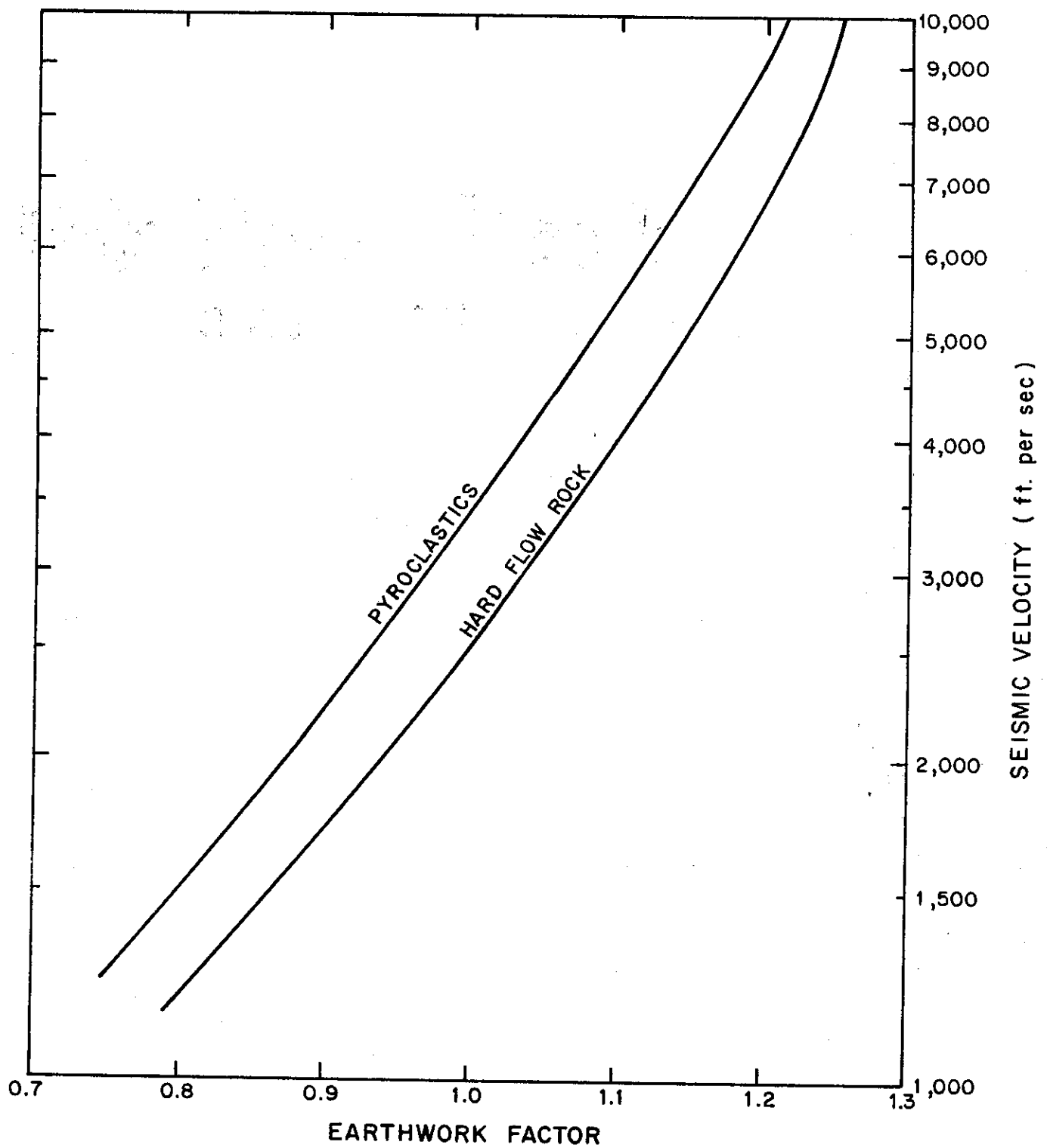


FIGURE 4

The seismic data were obtained after construction from seismic lines located along the face and top of the cut slopes. The information was then extrapolated across the areas of removed material. The volumes of material of each seismic velocity were determined and an earthwork factor developed from the curve determined during our previous research study(3). This factor was 1.02, or 7% higher than the construction factor.

06-Fre-198-P.M. 13.7/16.2

Although this project was completed before our study began, a seismic study had been conducted during the design study, prior to construction.

The excavation at this project largely involved a single cut. The material consisted of approximately five feet (1.5 m) of alluvium overlying thin-bedded shales containing occasional thin sandstone layers.

An earthwork factor of 0.80 was predicted by the District Materials Section. This factor was increased to 0.90 by the Design Department. Neither group used seismic velocities in arriving at its representative factor.

During construction it became evident that 0.90 was too low. A contract change order was written to reduce excavation and increase embankment amounts.

Using the seismic velocities from the design study and the curve developed during the previous earthwork factor research study(3) an earthwork factor of 1.00 was calculated. The actual earthwork factor was determined to be 0.95.

This project was observed throughout the construction period. The material was chiefly a loosely cemented clayey or silty sandstone with some harder sandstone in the lower portions of the cuts. There was considerable crosshauling and mixing of material so that isolating individual velocity material was not possible.

An earthwork factor of 1.10 had been predicted as representative of most of the material on this project. However, it became apparent early in the work that this value was too high. A seismic survey was therefore conducted to permit re-evaluation of the earthwork factor. Based on this survey and the results of the original study involving sedimentary rock(3), a factor of 1.00 was developed for the north half of the project and 0.96 for the south half. The excavation and embankment quantities were then changed by adjusting the amounts of cut and fill to conform to the new earthwork factors. Upon completion of the project, the actual earthwork factors for the north and south halves were determined to be 1.05 and 1.04, respectively. The total amount of excavation was 7,862,680 cubic yards (5,975,637 m<sup>3</sup>).

Of the several sedimentary projects investigated for this study, this was the only one on which the actual factor was higher than predicted from the original curve(3). The loosely cemented sandstone, which had low seismic velocities and was excavated with little or no ripping was expected to have an earthwork factor of .95-1.00. After the construction factors were determined, a review of all the data was made to locate any errors that might have been made in measuring or calculating quantities. This included a review of the field factors as well as the office calculations made to relate velocities to in-place material.

There was still no explanation consistent with the available information. In situ densities were then obtained at several different depths, as well as densities of embankment material and laboratory densities of remolded material from the test sites. Moisture contents were also obtained. The in situ densities were, in most cases, higher by about 3% than the density of the remolded material. The in-place material weighed from 129 (2030 kg/m<sup>3</sup>) to 139 (2203 kg/m<sup>3</sup>) pounds per cubic foot, averaging about 131 (2063 kg/m<sup>3</sup>). This was the case even for material close to the original ground surface that had a low seismic velocity. It required many blows to penetrate the in-place sandstone with a 3/4 inch steel pin in order to make a hole for the nuclear gauge probe. It was also quite difficult to dig with a shovel, although it could be readily crumbled by hand to individual grain size after excavation.

According to the geologic record, this material had been buried by later deposits and then uncovered by erosion. It is therefore, overconsolidated.

The sandstone found on this project is more dense in-place than in the remolded condition. Consequently the material swells and occupies a greater volume in the embankment than in the cut area. The 90 to 92% relative compaction achieved by the contractor was a percentage of the remolded, not of the in-place density.

07-0ra-91-P.M. 13.4R/18.9R

This project was used in the original study done during 1971(3,4). The material consisted primarily of weathered loosely cemented sandy clayey conglomerate, sandy silt, sandy gravelly clay, and clayey sandstone.

This project was included here to provide a review of the original data and to allow it to be included in the trial and error curve fitting process.

There was a small rounding of the original data that could be contributing to the factors developed from the original curve at other projects being too high. The project involved 6,843,815 cubic yards ( $5,201,300 \text{ m}^3$ ) of material. The actual earthwork factor was .996 which was rounded upwards to 1.00. A trial and error curve fitting process was then used to develop a best fit with the unity value.

The upward rounding was not significant, but did result in the calculated volume being 24,000 cubic yards ( $18,240 \text{ m}^3$ ) more than existed. Factors developed using this curve, at projects other than the one in Contra Costa County, were too high. A new curve was therefore developed using data from all sedimentary projects except the one in Contra Costa County.

#### Development of a Revised Curve for Some Sedimentary Rock

The sedimentary rock curve developed by our original research(1,2,3,4) predicted factors higher than the construction factors for the projects in Shasta County and in Fresno County. On the other hand it gave a predicted factor that was much too low for the Contra Costa County project. A decision was therefore made to exclude the data from the Contra Costa County project and consider it as a special case that will be described later.

An adjustment of the curve was considered necessary for the projects that were yielding a factor that was too high (see Table 6). The adjustment was accomplished by a trial and error procedure. New curves were drawn and the factor

developed from each new curve was compared with the known field earthwork factor. A total of eleven trial curves were drawn, using several different slopes and shapes. The trial curves are presented by Figures 5 and 6.

After each trial curve was drawn, it was introduced into the computer in incremental form. The program determined the shape of each increment and printed out the factor at 50 fps (15 mps) intervals along the curve from 1000 fps (305 mps) to 8000 fps (2440 mps). The printouts were then used to compile a table showing the seismic velocities, volume of material within each velocity, the factor for that velocity and the sum of each of these fractional factors. The sum of the fractional factors for each velocity was the earthwork factor for that project using that particular trial curve. Each trial factor was then compared with the known factor obtained in the field. See Tables 7, 8, and 9 for data from these three projects.

This trial and error procedure was continued until a reasonable fit was achieved with the data from the three projects. Trial curve No. 11, shown in Figure 6 and by itself in Figure 7, gave the best fit. The data from the Orange County project produced the best individual fit with a 1.1% error on the low side. The curve was 3.7% too high for the Fresno County project and 5% too high for the Shasta County project. The reliability of the field data is best for the Orange County project and poorest on the Shasta County project where there was some question about the volume of embankment.

TRIAL CURVES 1 THROUGH 5  
FOR SEDIMENTARY ROCKS

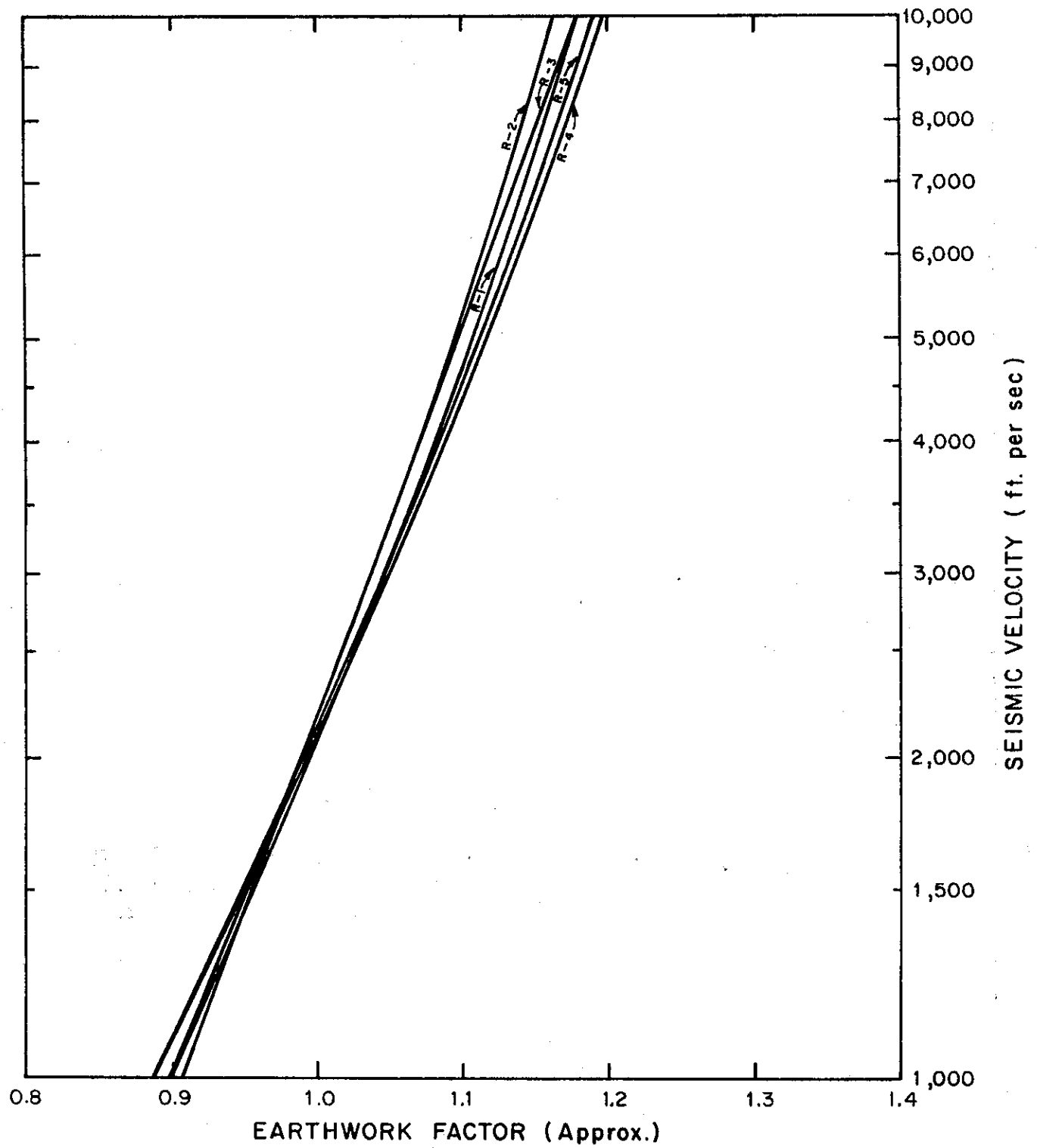


FIGURE 5

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TRIAL CURVES 6 THROUGH 11  
FOR SEDIMENTARY ROCKS

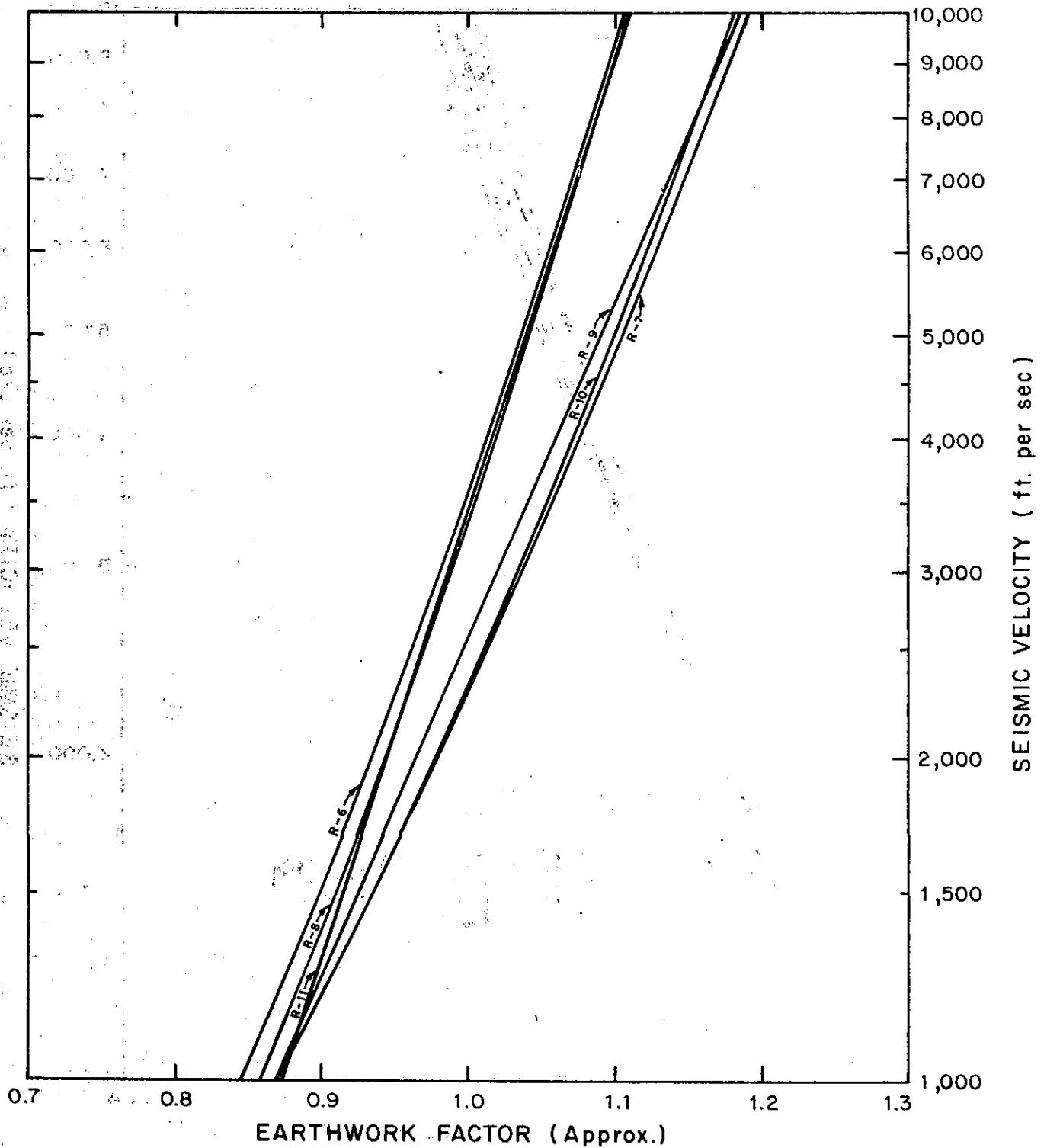


FIGURE 6

RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN SEISMIC VELOCITIES  
AND EARTHWORK FACTORS  
FOR SOME SEDIMENTARY ROCKS

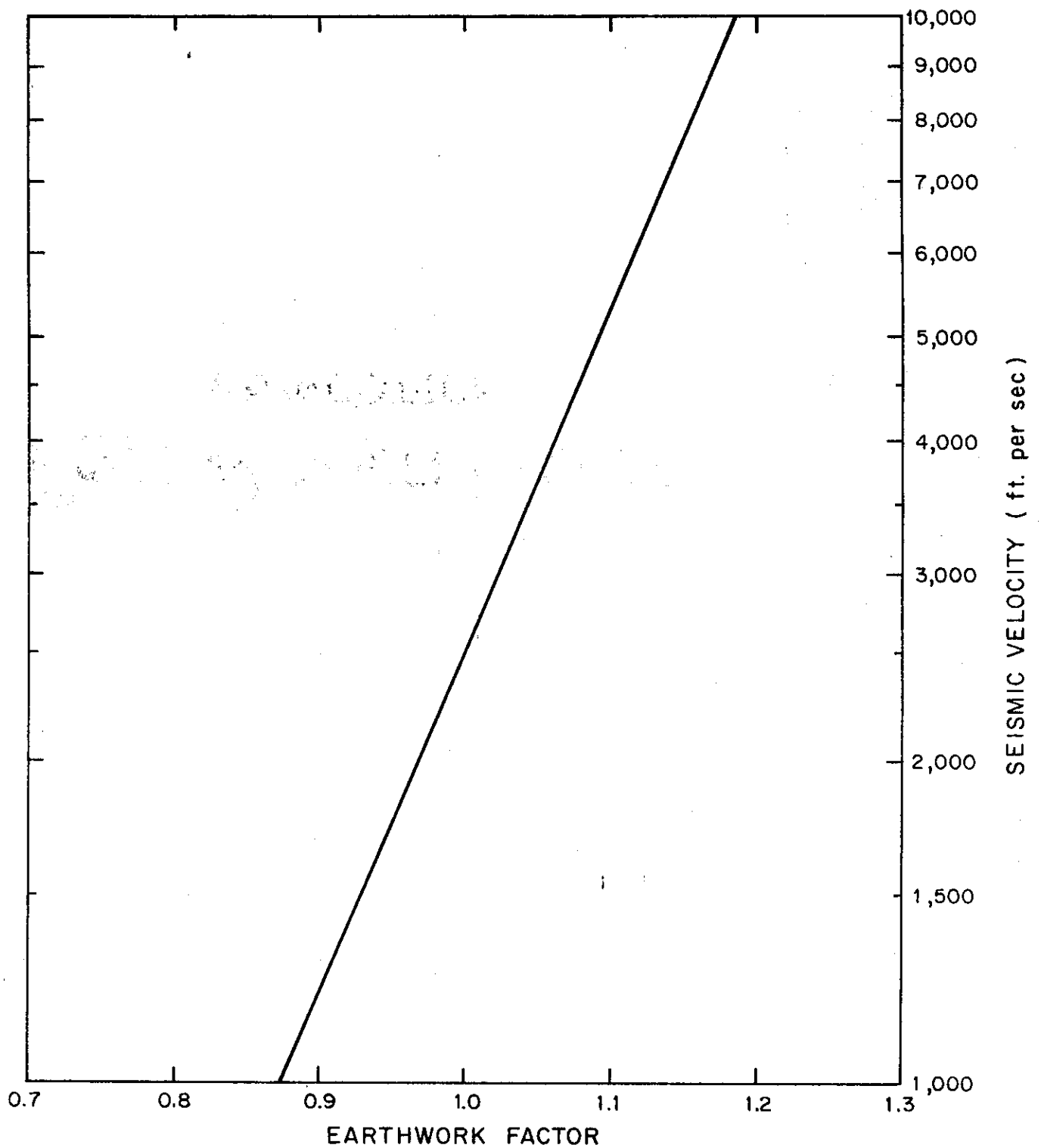


FIGURE 7  
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TABLE 6

EARTHWORK FACTORS FOR THE SEDIMENTARY PROJECTS AS  
DETERMINED BY FIELD VOLUMES AND DIFFERENT CURVES.

| Projects         | Field<br>Factor | EW Factors        |                  |
|------------------|-----------------|-------------------|------------------|
|                  |                 | Original<br>Curve | Revised<br>Curve |
| 02-Sha-299       | .95             | 1.02              | 1.00             |
| 04-CC- 4 FR line | 1.04            | .96               | *                |
| CC Line          | 1.05            | 1.00              | *                |
| 6-Fre-198        | .95             | 1.00              | .99              |
| 07-Ora-91        | 1.00            | 1.00              | .99              |

\*not included in revision, material does not behave as  
does the material on the other projects.

TABLE 7

SEDIMENTARY MATERIAL FROM SHASTA COUNTY AND THE EARTH-  
WORK FACTOR DEVELOPED USING SEDIMENTARY CURVE NO. 11

| <u>Velocity<br/>(fps)</u> | <u>% Total<br/>Volume</u> | <u>Factor from<br/>Curve 11</u> | <u>Factor times<br/>% Volume</u> |
|---------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 1300                      | .044580                   | .91                             | .040568                          |
| 1350                      | .012001                   | .914                            | .010969                          |
| 1450                      | .005733                   | .924                            | .005297                          |
| 1600                      | .070561                   | .939                            | .066257                          |
| 1650                      | .025595                   | .942                            | .024111                          |
| 1800                      | .088962                   | .953                            | .084781                          |
| 1950                      | .007769                   | .965                            | .007497                          |
| 2150                      | .038892                   | .978                            | .038036                          |
| 2300                      | .102292                   | .987                            | .100962                          |
| 2350                      | .132971                   | .99                             | .131641                          |
| 2350                      | .132971                   | .99                             | .131641                          |
| 2650                      | .003711                   | 1.007                           | .003737                          |
| 2700                      | .040635                   | 1.01                            | .041041                          |
| 2950                      | .014668                   | 1.021                           | .014976                          |
| 3050                      | .078378                   | 1.026                           | .080416                          |
| 3400                      | .058039                   | 1.041                           | .060419                          |
| 3700                      | .160401                   | 1.052                           | .168742                          |
| 4000                      | .066561                   | 1.062                           | .070688                          |
| 4600                      | <u>.048252</u>            | 1.082                           | <u>.052209</u>                   |
| Total                     | 1.000001                  |                                 | 1.0024 or 1.00                   |

Note: Velocity Column feet/sec. (fps) x .305 = Meters/sec (mps)

TABLE 8

SEDIMENTARY MATERIAL FROM FRESNO COUNTY AND THE EARTH-  
WORK FACTOR DEVELOPED USING SEDIMENTARY CURVE NO. 11

| <u>Velocity<br/>(fps)</u> | <u>% Total<br/>Volume</u> | <u>Factor from<br/>Curve 11</u> | <u>Factor times<br/>% Volume</u> |
|---------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 1200                      | .380055                   | .899                            | .34167                           |
| 1450                      | .214685                   | .924                            | .198369                          |
| 4400                      | .220664                   | 1.077                           | .237655                          |
| 5800                      | .013716                   | 1.116                           | .015300                          |
| 6000                      | .075294                   | 1.119                           | .084254                          |
| 6500                      | .039331                   | 1.129                           | .044405                          |
| 8150                      | <u>.056261</u>            | 1.158                           | <u>.065150</u>                   |
|                           | 1.000                     |                                 | .9868                            |
|                           |                           |                                 | .99                              |

Note: Velocity Column feet/sec. (fps) x .305 = Meters/sec (mps)

TABLE 9

SEDIMENTARY MATERIAL FROM ORANGE COUNTY AND THE EARTH-  
WORK FACTOR DEVELOPED USING SEDIMENTARY CURVE NO. 11

| <u>Velocity<br/>(fps)</u> | <u>% Total<br/>Volume</u> | <u>Factor from<br/>Curve 11</u> | <u>Factor times<br/>% Volume</u> |
|---------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 1100                      | .056690                   | .888                            | .050341                          |
| 1350                      | .103413                   | .915                            | .094623                          |
| 1400                      | .051392                   | .92                             | .047281                          |
| 1500                      | .033198                   | .93                             | .030874                          |
| 1600                      | .026754                   | .938                            | .025095                          |
| 1700                      | .008438                   | .947                            | .007991                          |
| 1800                      | .022084                   | .953                            | .021046                          |
| 1900                      | .015080                   | .961                            | .014492                          |
| 2000                      | .189173                   | .969                            | .183309                          |
| 2200                      | .036255                   | .981                            | .035566                          |
| 2350                      | .011216                   | .99                             | .011104                          |
| 2500                      | .015105                   | .999                            | .015090                          |
| 2600                      | .001663                   | 1.003                           | .001668                          |
| 2700                      | .023135                   | 1.009                           | .023343                          |
| 2750                      | .006576                   | 1.011                           | .006648                          |
| 2800                      | .020344                   | 1.014                           | .020629                          |
| 2850                      | .043905                   | 1.017                           | .044651                          |
| 3000                      | .013149                   | 1.023                           | .013451                          |
| 3150                      | .014159                   | 1.03                            | .014584                          |
| 3200                      | .037813                   | 1.032                           | .039023                          |
| 3400                      | .043615                   | 1.041                           | .045403                          |
| 3450                      | .033652                   | 1.043                           | .035099                          |
| 3500                      | .041188                   | 1.045                           | .043042                          |
| 3600                      | .094890                   | 1.049                           | .099540                          |
| 3700                      | .017061                   | 1.051                           | .017931                          |
| 4000                      | .013478                   | 1.062                           | .014314                          |
| 4150                      | .010568                   | 1.078                           | .011392                          |
| 4600                      | .004978                   | 1.082                           | .005386                          |
| 4760                      | .008387                   | 1.087                           | .009117                          |
| 5710                      | .000642                   | 1.112                           | .000714                          |
| 5970                      | .000374                   | 1.117                           | .000418                          |
| 6660                      | .001627                   | 1.131                           | .001840                          |
|                           | 1.000                     |                                 | .985                             |
|                           |                           |                                 | .99                              |

Note: Velocity Column feet/sec (fps) x .305 = Meters/sec (mps)

## Development of a Curve for the Contra Costa County Project

The loosely cemented sandstone on this project behaved differently than the sedimentary material on the other projects studied, even though, as can be seen in Table 10, the velocities were very similar. This seems to indicate a different curve is necessary for material which: (a) has high in situ density; (b) crumbles to individual grain size when excavated; and (c) cannot be remolded to its original density.

It was assumed that the higher velocities of this material would behave as any other high velocity sedimentary rock, and would therefore, fall on the straight line formed by the sedimentary curve when plotted on semi log paper. It was further assumed that the lower velocity materials should produce a factor higher than was indicated by the curve for sedimentary materials shown in Figure 7, which was also a straight line on the semi log paper. This produced two parallel straight lines on the semi log graph. A set of curves, shown in Figure 8, was then constructed using several different shapes to effect the crossover between the two parallel lines. The earthwork factors for both portions of the project were calculated using each trial curve. The curve selected was No. 4-7-R, and yields factors of 1.02 and 1.05 for the two portions. The field factors for these portions were 1.04 and 1.05.

The data are insufficient to determine if this curve, shown in Figure 9, is more than an approximation. Additional data will have to be collected and a comparison made between the factors from this curve and the factors from the field to determine if this curve is correct.



This curve should be used for a granular material that degrades to its individual grains when excavated and cannot be remolded to its original overconsolidated state.

#### Granitic Rock

08-Riv-60-P.M. 2.6/7.2

This project began before this study started, but was observed throughout most of the construction period.

The material was primarily granitic rock with one cut in metamorphic rock. The granitic material ranged from dis-integrated granite to fresh quartz diorite or a hard gneiss. The metamorphic material is probably roof pendants, and consists of schists and quartzites.

The total amount of excavation was 1,702,718 cubic yards (1,294,065 m<sup>3</sup>). Of this amount, 144,587 cubic yards (109,886 m<sup>3</sup>) were used as cement treated base, subbase or export. The balance of this yardage was used as embankment material.

A seismic study had been conducted for design purposes prior to the start of construction. The earthwork factor predicted by the District was 1.10. This was not, however, based on seismic data. The actual earthwork factor obtained in the field was 1.04.

Use of the curve (Figure 10) developed during the original study of 1971(1) to predict an earthwork factor for this project resulted in a prediction of 1.06 indicating that the original granitic curve was applicable to this project also.

It was originally intended to consider the earthwork factors for individual cuts or areas of common degrees of hardness. This proved impractical because of the amount of crosshauling that was done. Most fills are composed of mixtures of material from two or more cuts, and materials from all cuts has been hauled to two or more fills. As a result, it was only possible to calculate an overall earthwork factor for the project. It is possible that crosshauling contributed to a better mixing of hard rock pieces and loose fines, resulting in a lower earthwork factor than would have been obtained otherwise.

TRIAL CURVES 4 THROUGH 7  
FOR SEDIMENTARY ROCKS  
FOUND ON THE CONTRA COSTA COUNTY PROJECT

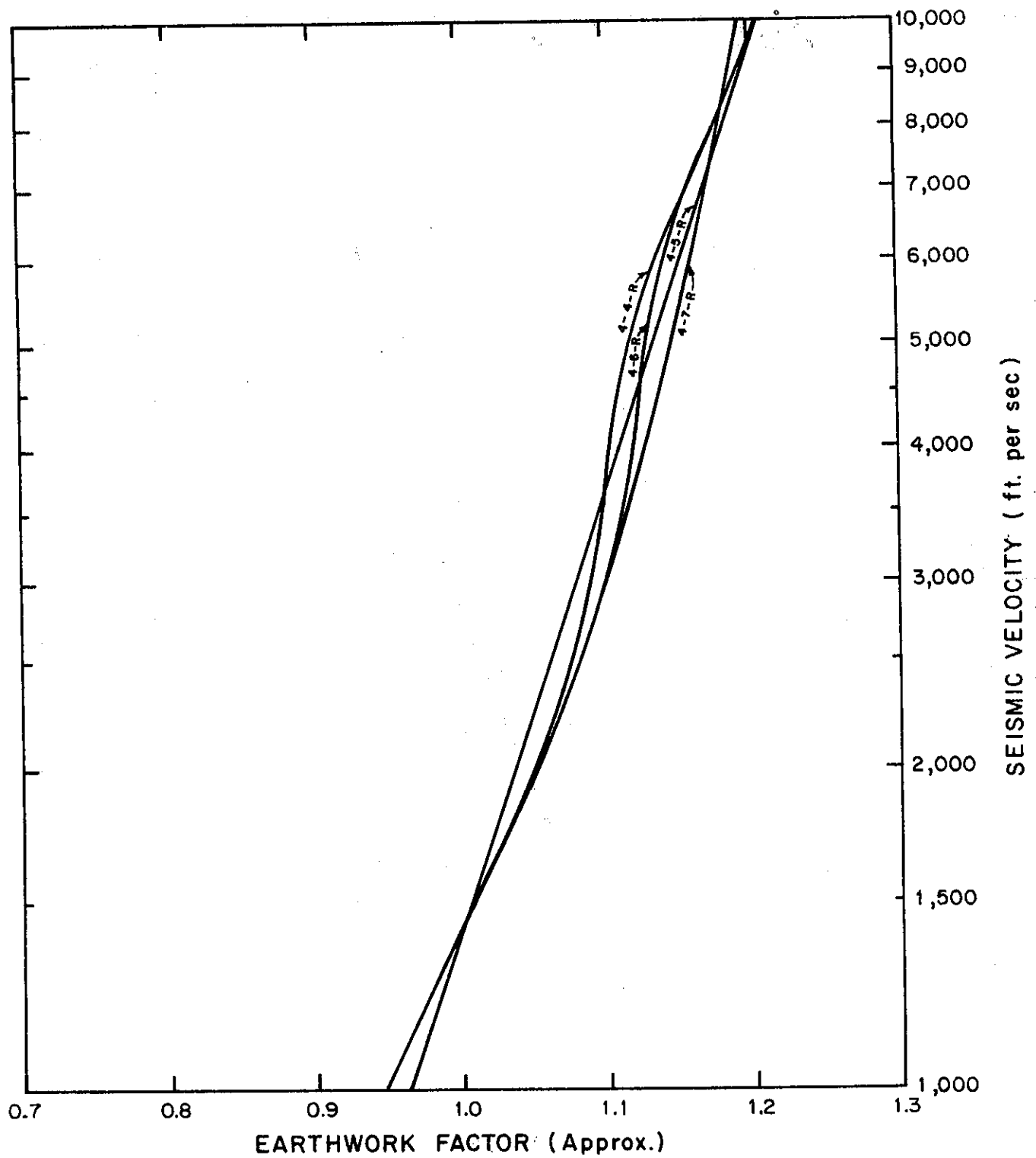


FIGURE 8

RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN SEISMIC VELOCITIES  
AND EARTHWORK FACTORS FOR SANDSTONE  
FOUND ON THE CONTRA COSTA COUNTY PROJECT

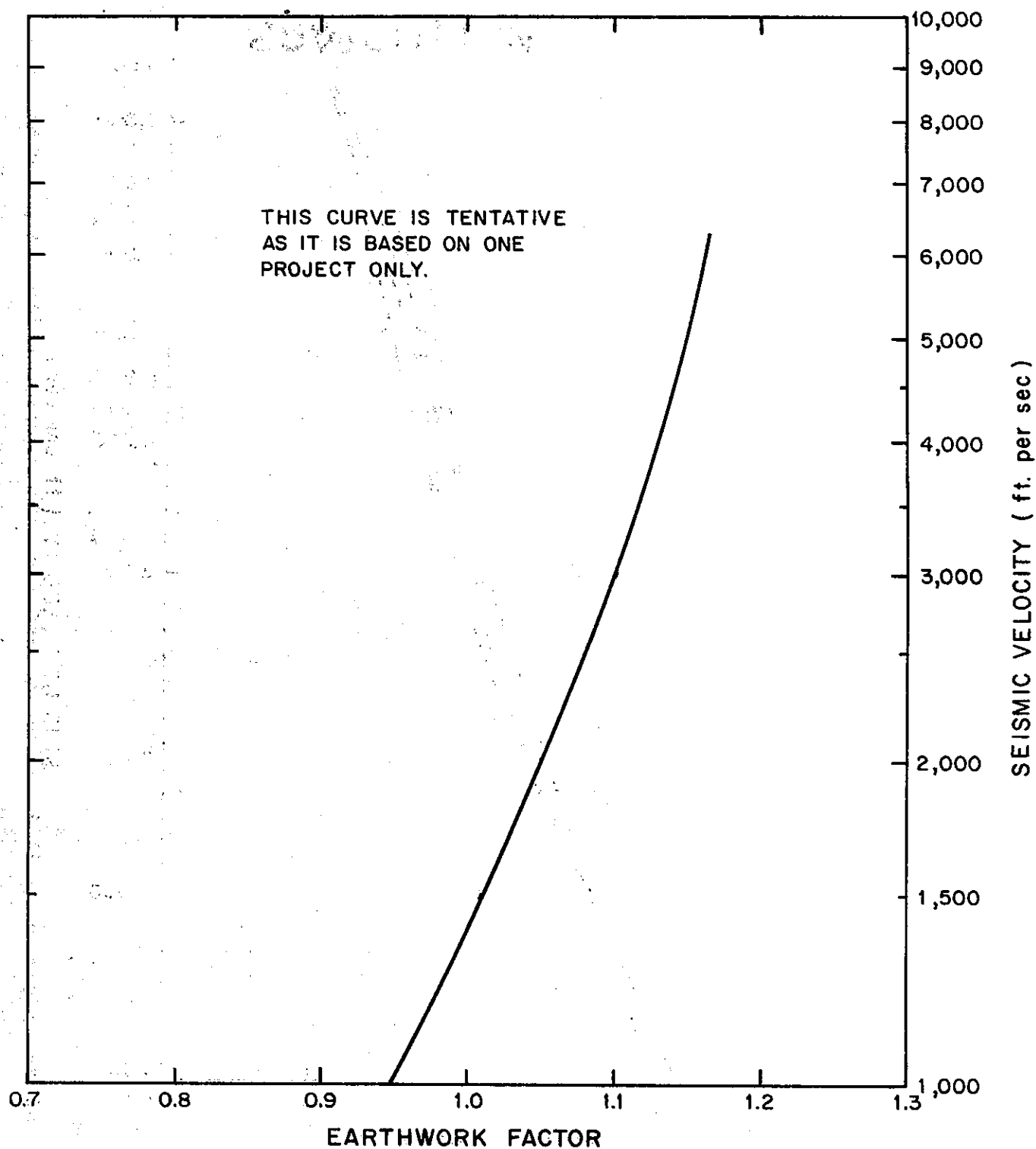


FIGURE 9

TABLE 10

PERCENTAGE OF SEDIMENTARY MATERIAL IN EACH VELOCITY  
RANGE FROM THE SEDIMENTARY PROJECTS

| Velocities<br>(fps) | Projects  |            |            |         |
|---------------------|-----------|------------|------------|---------|
|                     | 07-Ora-91 | 06-Fre-198 | 02-Sha-299 | 04-CC-4 |
| 1000-2000           | 32        | 59         | 25         | 81      |
| 2000-2700           | 25        |            | 28         | 10      |
| 2700-3500           | 28        |            | 19         | 1       |
| 3500-4500           | 14        | 22         | 23         | 2       |
| 4500-5000           | 1         |            | 5          |         |
| 5000-7000           |           | 13         |            | 6       |
| 7000-9000           |           | 6          |            |         |
| Totals              | 100       | 100        | 100        | 100     |

Note: Velocities Column feet/sec. (fps) x .305 = Meters/sec (mps)

RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN SEISMIC VELOCITIES  
AND EARTHWORK FACTORS  
FOR GRANITIC ROCK

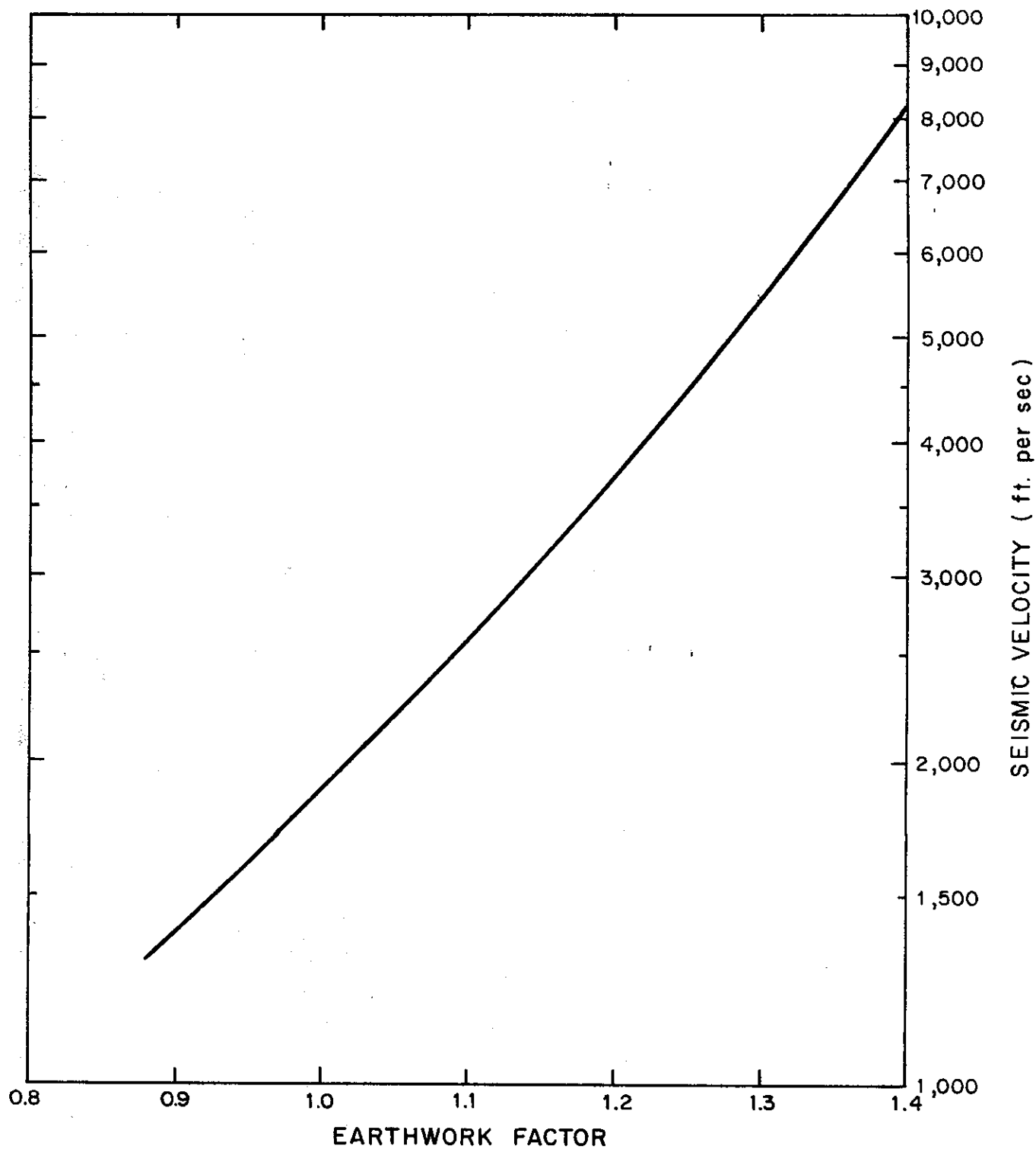


FIGURE 10

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## APPENDIX

Printouts of earthwork factors versus seismic velocities  
for different materials:

Volcanic pyroclastics

Volcanic flow rocks

Sedimentary Materials

Sandstone on the Contra Costa County project

Granitic rocks

EARTHWORK FACTORS VERSUS SEISMIC VELOCITIES FOR  
PYROCLASTIC MATERIALS (AS GRAPHED IN FIGURE 4).

| SEISMIC VEL. | FACTOR | SEISMIC VEL. | FACTOR | SEISMIC VEL. | FACTOR |
|--------------|--------|--------------|--------|--------------|--------|
| 1200         | .744   | 3300         | .987   | 5400         | 1.096  |
| 1250         | .754   | 3350         | .991   | 5450         | 1.098  |
| 1300         | .764   | 3400         | .994   | 5500         | 1.099  |
| 1350         | .774   | 3450         | .997   | 5550         | 1.101  |
| 1400         | .783   | 3500         | 1.000  | 5600         | 1.103  |
| 1450         | .792   | 3550         | 1.003  | 5650         | 1.105  |
| 1500         | .800   | 3600         | 1.007  | 5700         | 1.107  |
| 1550         | .809   | 3650         | 1.010  | 5750         | 1.109  |
| 1600         | .817   | 3700         | 1.013  | 5800         | 1.111  |
| 1650         | .824   | 3750         | 1.016  | 5850         | 1.113  |
| 1700         | .832   | 3800         | 1.019  | 5900         | 1.114  |
| 1750         | .839   | 3850         | 1.022  | 5950         | 1.116  |
| 1800         | .845   | 3900         | 1.024  | 6000         | 1.118  |
| 1850         | .852   | 3950         | 1.027  | 6050         | 1.120  |
| 1900         | .858   | 4000         | 1.030  | 6100         | 1.121  |
| 1950         | .864   | 4050         | 1.033  | 6150         | 1.123  |
| 2000         | .870   | 4100         | 1.036  | 6200         | 1.125  |
| 2050         | .876   | 4150         | 1.038  | 6250         | 1.127  |
| 2100         | .882   | 4200         | 1.041  | 6300         | 1.128  |
| 2150         | .887   | 4250         | 1.044  | 6350         | 1.130  |
| 2200         | .893   | 4300         | 1.046  | 6400         | 1.132  |
| 2250         | .898   | 4350         | 1.049  | 6450         | 1.133  |
| 2300         | .903   | 4400         | 1.051  | 6500         | 1.135  |
| 2350         | .908   | 4450         | 1.054  | 6550         | 1.136  |
| 2400         | .913   | 4500         | 1.056  | 6600         | 1.138  |
| 2450         | .918   | 4550         | 1.059  | 6650         | 1.140  |
| 2500         | .923   | 4600         | 1.061  | 6700         | 1.141  |
| 2550         | .928   | 4650         | 1.064  | 6750         | 1.143  |
| 2600         | .932   | 4700         | 1.066  | 6800         | 1.144  |
| 2650         | .937   | 4750         | 1.068  | 6850         | 1.146  |
| 2700         | .941   | 4800         | 1.070  | 6900         | 1.147  |
| 2750         | .945   | 4850         | 1.073  | 6950         | 1.149  |
| 2800         | .950   | 4900         | 1.075  | 7000         | 1.150  |
| 2850         | .954   | 4950         | 1.077  | 7050         | 1.152  |
| 2900         | .958   | 5000         | 1.079  | 7100         | 1.153  |
| 2950         | .962   | 5050         | 1.081  | 7150         | 1.155  |
| 3000         | .966   | 5100         | 1.083  | 7200         | 1.156  |
| 3050         | .970   | 5150         | 1.085  | 7250         | 1.158  |
| 3100         | .973   | 5200         | 1.088  | 7300         | 1.159  |
| 3150         | .977   | 5250         | 1.090  | 7350         | 1.161  |
| 3200         | .980   | 5300         | 1.092  | 7400         | 1.162  |
| 3250         | .984   | 5350         | 1.094  | 0            | .000   |

**EARTHWORK FACTORS VERSUS SEISMIC VELOCITIES FOR  
VOLCANIC FLOW ROCKS (AS GRAPHED IN FIGURE 4).**

| SEISMIC VEL. | FACTOR | SEISMIC VEL. | FACTOR | SEISMIC VEL. | FACTOR |
|--------------|--------|--------------|--------|--------------|--------|
| 1150         | .792   | 3400         | 1.060  | 5650         | 1.169  |
| 1200         | .803   | 3450         | 1.064  | 5700         | 1.170  |
| 1250         | .814   | 3500         | 1.067  | 5750         | 1.172  |
| 1300         | .824   | 3550         | 1.070  | 5800         | 1.173  |
| 1350         | .834   | 3600         | 1.073  | 5850         | 1.175  |
| 1400         | .844   | 3650         | 1.076  | 5900         | 1.176  |
| 1450         | .853   | 3700         | 1.079  | 5950         | 1.178  |
| 1500         | .862   | 3750         | 1.082  | 6000         | 1.179  |
| 1550         | .871   | 3800         | 1.085  | 6050         | 1.181  |
| 1600         | .879   | 3850         | 1.088  | 6100         | 1.182  |
| 1650         | .887   | 3900         | 1.091  | 6150         | 1.183  |
| 1700         | .895   | 3950         | 1.094  | 6200         | 1.185  |
| 1750         | .903   | 4000         | 1.097  | 6250         | 1.186  |
| 1800         | .910   | 4050         | 1.099  | 6300         | 1.188  |
| 1850         | .917   | 4100         | 1.102  | 6350         | 1.189  |
| 1900         | .923   | 4150         | 1.105  | 6400         | 1.190  |
| 1950         | .930   | 4200         | 1.107  | 6450         | 1.192  |
| 2000         | .936   | 4250         | 1.110  | 6500         | 1.193  |
| 2050         | .942   | 4300         | 1.113  | 6550         | 1.195  |
| 2100         | .948   | 4350         | 1.115  | 6600         | 1.196  |
| 2150         | .954   | 4400         | 1.118  | 6650         | 1.197  |
| 2200         | .959   | 4450         | 1.120  | 6700         | 1.199  |
| 2250         | .965   | 4500         | 1.123  | 6750         | 1.200  |
| 2300         | .970   | 4550         | 1.125  | 6800         | 1.201  |
| 2350         | .975   | 4600         | 1.128  | 6850         | 1.202  |
| 2400         | .980   | 4650         | 1.130  | 6900         | 1.204  |
| 2450         | .985   | 4700         | 1.132  | 6950         | 1.205  |
| 2500         | .990   | 4750         | 1.134  | 7000         | 1.206  |
| 2550         | .995   | 4800         | 1.136  | 7050         | 1.208  |
| 2600         | .999   | 4850         | 1.138  | 7100         | 1.209  |
| 2650         | 1.004  | 4900         | 1.140  | 7150         | 1.210  |
| 2700         | 1.008  | 4950         | 1.142  | 7200         | 1.211  |
| 2750         | 1.012  | 5000         | 1.144  | 7250         | 1.212  |
| 2800         | 1.016  | 5050         | 1.146  | 7300         | 1.213  |
| 2850         | 1.020  | 5100         | 1.148  | 7350         | 1.214  |
| 2900         | 1.024  | 5150         | 1.150  | 7400         | 1.215  |
| 2950         | 1.028  | 5200         | 1.152  | 7450         | 1.216  |
| 3000         | 1.032  | 5250         | 1.154  | 7500         | 1.217  |
| 3050         | 1.036  | 5300         | 1.156  | 7550         | 1.218  |
| 3100         | 1.040  | 5350         | 1.158  | 7600         | 1.219  |
| 3150         | 1.043  | 5400         | 1.160  | 7650         | 1.220  |
| 3200         | 1.047  | 5450         | 1.162  | 7700         | 1.221  |
| 3250         | 1.050  | 5500         | 1.163  | 7750         | 1.221  |
| 3300         | 1.054  | 5550         | 1.165  | 7800         | 1.222  |
| 3350         | 1.057  | 5600         | 1.167  | 7850         | 1.223  |

## VOLCANIC FLOW ROCKS

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| SEISMIC VEL. | FACTOR | SEISMIC VEL. | FACTOR | SEISMIC VEL. | FACTOR |
|--------------|--------|--------------|--------|--------------|--------|
| 7900         | 1.224  | 8600         | 1.235  | 9300         | 1.245  |
| 7950         | 1.225  | 8650         | 1.236  | 9350         | 1.245  |
| 8000         | 1.226  | 8700         | 1.237  | 9400         | 1.246  |
| 8050         | 1.227  | 8750         | 1.237  | 9450         | 1.246  |
| 8100         | 1.228  | 8800         | 1.238  | 9500         | 1.247  |
| 8150         | 1.229  | 8850         | 1.239  | 9550         | 1.247  |
| 8200         | 1.229  | 8900         | 1.239  | 9600         | 1.248  |
| 8250         | 1.230  | 8950         | 1.240  | 9650         | 1.248  |
| 8300         | 1.231  | 9000         | 1.241  | 9700         | 1.249  |
| 8350         | 1.232  | 9050         | 1.241  | 9750         | 1.249  |
| 8400         | 1.233  | 9100         | 1.242  | 9800         | 1.250  |
| 8450         | 1.233  | 9150         | 1.243  | 9850         | 1.250  |
| 8500         | 1.234  | 9200         | 1.243  | 9900         | 1.251  |
| 8550         | 1.235  | 9250         | 1.244  | 9950         | 1.251  |

EARTHWORK FACTORS VERSUS SEISMIC VELOCITIES FOR  
SEDIMENTARY MATERIALS (AS GRAPHED IN FIGURE 7).

| SEISMIC VEL. | FACTOR | SEISMIC VEL. | FACTOR | SEISMIC VEL. | FACTOR |
|--------------|--------|--------------|--------|--------------|--------|
| 1000         | .873   | 3250         | 1.034  | 5500         | 1.106  |
| 1050         | .880   | 3300         | 1.036  | 5550         | 1.107  |
| 1100         | .886   | 3350         | 1.038  | 5600         | 1.108  |
| 1150         | .892   | 3400         | 1.040  | 5650         | 1.110  |
| 1200         | .898   | 3450         | 1.042  | 5700         | 1.111  |
| 1250         | .904   | 3500         | 1.044  | 5750         | 1.112  |
| 1300         | .909   | 3550         | 1.046  | 5800         | 1.113  |
| 1350         | .914   | 3600         | 1.048  | 5850         | 1.114  |
| 1400         | .919   | 3650         | 1.050  | 5900         | 1.115  |
| 1450         | .924   | 3700         | 1.052  | 5950         | 1.117  |
| 1500         | .929   | 3750         | 1.054  | 6000         | 1.118  |
| 1550         | .933   | 3800         | 1.056  | 6050         | 1.119  |
| 1600         | .938   | 3850         | 1.057  | 6100         | 1.120  |
| 1650         | .942   | 3900         | 1.059  | 6150         | 1.121  |
| 1700         | .946   | 3950         | 1.061  | 6200         | 1.122  |
| 1750         | .950   | 4000         | 1.063  | 6250         | 1.123  |
| 1800         | .954   | 4050         | 1.064  | 6300         | 1.124  |
| 1850         | .957   | 4100         | 1.066  | 6350         | 1.125  |
| 1900         | .961   | 4150         | 1.068  | 6400         | 1.126  |
| 1950         | .965   | 4200         | 1.069  | 6450         | 1.127  |
| 2000         | .968   | 4250         | 1.071  | 6500         | 1.128  |
| 2050         | .971   | 4300         | 1.073  | 6550         | 1.129  |
| 2100         | .975   | 4350         | 1.074  | 6600         | 1.130  |
| 2150         | .978   | 4400         | 1.076  | 6650         | 1.131  |
| 2200         | .981   | 4450         | 1.077  | 6700         | 1.132  |
| 2250         | .984   | 4500         | 1.079  | 6750         | 1.133  |
| 2300         | .987   | 4550         | 1.080  | 6800         | 1.134  |
| 2350         | .990   | 4600         | 1.082  | 6850         | 1.135  |
| 2400         | .993   | 4650         | 1.083  | 6900         | 1.136  |
| 2450         | .995   | 4700         | 1.085  | 6950         | 1.137  |
| 2500         | .998   | 4750         | 1.086  | 7000         | 1.138  |
| 2550         | 1.001  | 4800         | 1.088  | 7050         | 1.139  |
| 2600         | 1.003  | 4850         | 1.089  | 7100         | 1.140  |
| 2650         | 1.006  | 4900         | 1.090  | 7150         | 1.141  |
| 2700         | 1.009  | 4950         | 1.092  | 7200         | 1.142  |
| 2750         | 1.011  | 5000         | 1.093  | 7250         | 1.143  |
| 2800         | 1.013  | 5050         | 1.094  | 7300         | 1.144  |
| 2850         | 1.016  | 5100         | 1.096  | 7350         | 1.145  |
| 2900         | 1.018  | 5150         | 1.097  | 7400         | 1.146  |
| 2950         | 1.021  | 5200         | 1.098  | 7450         | 1.147  |
| 3000         | 1.023  | 5250         | 1.100  | 7500         | 1.148  |
| 3050         | 1.025  | 5300         | 1.101  | 7550         | 1.149  |
| 3100         | 1.028  | 5350         | 1.102  | 7600         | 1.150  |
| 3150         | 1.030  | 5400         | 1.104  | 7650         | 1.151  |
| 3200         | 1.032  | 5450         | 1.105  | 7700         | 1.152  |

**SEDIMENTARY MATERIALS****PAGE: 2**

| <b>SEISMIC VEL.</b> | <b>FACTOR</b> | <b>SEISMIC VEL.</b> | <b>FACTOR</b> | <b>SEISMIC VEL.</b> | <b>FACTOR</b> |
|---------------------|---------------|---------------------|---------------|---------------------|---------------|
| 7750                | 1.152         |                     |               |                     |               |
| 7800                | 1.153         |                     |               |                     |               |
| 7850                | 1.154         |                     |               |                     |               |
| 7900                | 1.155         |                     |               |                     |               |
| 7950                | 1.156         |                     |               |                     |               |

EARTHWORK FACTORS VERSUS SEISMIC VELOCITIES FOR  
CONTRA COSTA COUNTY SANDSTONE (AS GRAPHED IN FIGURE 9).

| SEISMIC VEL. | FACTOR | SEISMIC VEL. | FACTOR | SEISMIC VEL. | FACTOR |
|--------------|--------|--------------|--------|--------------|--------|
| 1000         | .947   | 2750         | 1.089  | 4500         | 1.139  |
| 1050         | .954   | 2800         | 1.091  | 4550         | 1.140  |
| 1100         | .961   | 2850         | 1.094  | 4600         | 1.141  |
| 1150         | .968   | 2900         | 1.096  | 4650         | 1.141  |
| 1200         | .974   | 2950         | 1.098  | 4700         | 1.142  |
| 1250         | .980   | 3000         | 1.100  | 4750         | 1.143  |
| 1300         | .986   | 3050         | 1.102  | 4800         | 1.144  |
| 1350         | .992   | 3100         | 1.103  | 4850         | 1.144  |
| 1400         | .997   | 3150         | 1.105  | 4900         | 1.145  |
| 1450         | 1.002  | 3200         | 1.106  | 4950         | 1.146  |
| 1500         | 1.007  | 3250         | 1.108  | 5000         | 1.147  |
| 1550         | 1.012  | 3300         | 1.109  | 5050         | 1.147  |
| 1600         | 1.017  | 3350         | 1.111  | 5100         | 1.148  |
| 1650         | 1.021  | 3400         | 1.112  | 5150         | 1.149  |
| 1700         | 1.026  | 3450         | 1.113  | 5200         | 1.149  |
| 1750         | 1.030  | 3500         | 1.115  | 5250         | 1.150  |
| 1800         | 1.034  | 3550         | 1.116  | 5300         | 1.151  |
| 1850         | 1.038  | 3600         | 1.118  | 5350         | 1.152  |
| 1900         | 1.042  | 3650         | 1.119  | 5400         | 1.152  |
| 1950         | 1.046  | 3700         | 1.120  | 5450         | 1.153  |
| 2000         | 1.050  | 3750         | 1.121  | 5500         | 1.154  |
| 2050         | 1.053  | 3800         | 1.123  | 5550         | 1.154  |
| 2100         | 1.056  | 3850         | 1.124  | 5600         | 1.155  |
| 2150         | 1.059  | 3900         | 1.125  | 5650         | 1.155  |
| 2200         | 1.062  | 3950         | 1.126  | 5700         | 1.156  |
| 2250         | 1.065  | 4000         | 1.128  | 5750         | 1.157  |
| 2300         | 1.067  | 4050         | 1.129  | 5800         | 1.157  |
| 2350         | 1.070  | 4100         | 1.130  | 5850         | 1.158  |
| 2400         | 1.072  | 4150         | 1.131  | 5900         | 1.159  |
| 2450         | 1.075  | 4200         | 1.132  | 5950         | 1.159  |
| 2500         | 1.078  | 4250         | 1.134  | 6000         | 1.160  |
| 2550         | 1.080  | 4300         | 1.135  | 6050         | 1.160  |
| 2600         | 1.082  | 4350         | 1.136  | 6100         | 1.161  |
| 2650         | 1.085  | 4400         | 1.137  | 6150         | 1.161  |
| 2700         | 1.087  | 4450         | 1.138  | 6200         | 1.162  |



EARTHWORK FACTORS VERSUS SEISMIC VELOCITIES FOR  
GRANITE ROCKS (AS GRAPHED IN FIGURE 10).

| SEISMIC VEL. | FACTOR | SEISMIC VEL. | FACTOR | SEISMIC VEL. | FACTOR |
|--------------|--------|--------------|--------|--------------|--------|
| 1400         | .910   | 3650         | 1.194  | 5900         | 1.318  |
| 1450         | .921   | 3700         | 1.197  | 5950         | 1.320  |
| 1500         | .932   | 3750         | 1.201  | 6000         | 1.322  |
| 1550         | .942   | 3800         | 1.204  | 6050         | 1.324  |
| 1600         | .952   | 3850         | 1.208  | 6100         | 1.326  |
| 1650         | .962   | 3900         | 1.211  | 6150         | 1.328  |
| 1700         | .971   | 3950         | 1.215  | 6200         | 1.330  |
| 1750         | .980   | 4000         | 1.218  | 6250         | 1.332  |
| 1800         | .989   | 4050         | 1.221  | 6300         | 1.334  |
| 1850         | .998   | 4100         | 1.224  | 6350         | 1.336  |
| 1900         | 1.006  | 4150         | 1.228  | 6400         | 1.338  |
| 1950         | 1.014  | 4200         | 1.231  | 6450         | 1.340  |
| 2000         | 1.021  | 4250         | 1.234  | 6500         | 1.341  |
| 2050         | 1.029  | 4300         | 1.237  | 6550         | 1.343  |
| 2100         | 1.036  | 4350         | 1.240  | 6600         | 1.345  |
| 2150         | 1.043  | 4400         | 1.243  | 6650         | 1.347  |
| 2200         | 1.050  | 4450         | 1.246  | 6700         | 1.349  |
| 2250         | 1.057  | 4500         | 1.249  | 6750         | 1.351  |
| 2300         | 1.063  | 4550         | 1.252  | 6800         | 1.352  |
| 2350         | 1.070  | 4600         | 1.255  | 6850         | 1.354  |
| 2400         | 1.076  | 4650         | 1.258  | 6900         | 1.356  |
| 2450         | 1.082  | 4700         | 1.260  | 6950         | 1.358  |
| 2500         | 1.088  | 4750         | 1.263  | 7000         | 1.360  |
| 2550         | 1.094  | 4800         | 1.266  | 7050         | 1.361  |
| 2600         | 1.100  | 4850         | 1.269  | 7100         | 1.363  |
| 2650         | 1.105  | 4900         | 1.271  | 7150         | 1.365  |
| 2700         | 1.110  | 4950         | 1.274  | 7200         | 1.366  |
| 2750         | 1.116  | 5000         | 1.277  | 7250         | 1.368  |
| 2800         | 1.120  | 5050         | 1.279  | 7300         | 1.370  |
| 2850         | 1.125  | 5100         | 1.282  | 7350         | 1.372  |
| 2900         | 1.130  | 5150         | 1.285  | 7400         | 1.373  |
| 2950         | 1.135  | 5200         | 1.287  | 7450         | 1.375  |
| 3000         | 1.140  | 5250         | 1.290  | 7500         | 1.377  |
| 3050         | 1.144  | 5300         | 1.292  | 7550         | 1.378  |
| 3100         | 1.149  | 5350         | 1.295  | 7600         | 1.380  |
| 3150         | 1.153  | 5400         | 1.297  | 7650         | 1.381  |
| 3200         | 1.157  | 5450         | 1.299  | 7700         | 1.383  |
| 3250         | 1.162  | 5500         | 1.301  | 7750         | 1.384  |
| 3300         | 1.166  | 5550         | 1.304  | 7800         | 1.385  |
| 3350         | 1.170  | 5600         | 1.306  | 7850         | 1.387  |
| 3400         | 1.174  | 5650         | 1.308  | 7900         | 1.388  |
| 3450         | 1.178  | 5700         | 1.310  | 7950         | 1.389  |
| 3500         | 1.182  | 5750         | 1.312  | 8000         | 1.390  |
| 3550         | 1.186  | 5800         | 1.314  |              |        |
| 3600         | 1.190  | 5850         | 1.316  |              |        |

FOX RIVER BOWLS

20% COTTON